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**SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS  
FOR 1942 SESSION**

**THEME: "Into the Highways and Hedges"**

**Tuesday, Aug. 25, 1942**

- 9:00- 9:25—Devotional and Roll Call  
9:25- 9:45—Address of Moderator  
9:45-10:15—Religious Literature  
10:15-11:00—Temperance  
11:00-12:00—Annual Sermon, H. K. Middleton  
Noon Recess  
1:00- 1:15—Devotional  
1:15- 2:30—Missions  
2:30- 3:00—Christian Training  
3:00- 3:30—Sunday Schools  
3:30- 3:40—Closing Worship  
Night Session  
7:30—Special Meeting of Promotion Committee—report  
from each Church.

**Wednesday, Aug. 26, 1942**

- 9:00- 9:15—Devotional  
9:15- 9:35—Obituaries  
9:35-10:00—Report of Associational Missionary  
10:00-10:45—Woman's Work  
10:45-11:15—Report of Executive Committee  
11:15-11:45—Associational Progress—Reports from Churches  
and Aims for Next Year  
11:45-12:00—Election of Officers  
Noon Recess  
1:00- 1:15—Devotional  
1:15- 2:15—Benevolences  
2:15- 2:45—Reports: Treasurer, Finance, Nominations, Reso-  
lutions and Time, Place and Preacher.  
2:45- 3:15—Miscellaneous and Reading of Minutes  
3:15- 3:45—Inspirational Message, J. C. Canipe

**DIRECTORY**

**OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION**

S. C. Eggers, Moderator -----	Boone
Wade E. Brown, V. Moderator -----	Boone
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treas. -----	Boone
A. J. Greene, Historian -----	Vilas
Doughton Greene, Asst. Historian -----	Sugar Grove
Gordon Hodges, Song Leader -----	Vilas

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Wade E. Brown, Chairman -----	Boone
Grady Minton -----	Vilas
W. D. Farthing -----	Boone
Mrs. D. P. Coffey -----	Blowing Rock
Lee Swift -----	Trade, Tenn.
R. C. Eggers -----	Zionville
S. C. Eggers -----	Boone
Clyde R. Greene -----	Boone

**PROMOTION COMMITTEE**

N. M. Green, Chairman, Boone; L. W. Ward, Lee Swift, W. W. Wilson, D. L. Wilcox, Grady Minton, Howard Shore, S. F. Horton, Dave Green, H. E. Greene, J. E. Norris, W. C. Greene, Howard Foster, Ronda Earp, C. J. Farthing, I. B. Wilson, Clayton Green, L. E. Wilson, Jim McNeil, C. M. Shore, E. R. Mikael, J. J. Wellborn, Mrs. R. B. Shull, Miss Maude Dishman, John Oliver, A. J. Greene, George Harman and Henry Hagaman.

**NOMINATIONS**

Missions—J. C. Canipe, Raymond Hendrix, Carl Triplett  
 Religious Literature—G. A. Hamby, L. M. Hodges  
 Associational Progress—Wade E. Brown, A. E. Moretz  
 Benevolences—Vilas Minton, Ronda Earp  
 Temperance—W. D. Ashley, Grady Minton  
 Christian Training—H. K. Middleton, D. M. Edmisten  
 Woman's Work—Mrs. J. C. Canipe, Mrs. B. R. Page, Miss Ella Austin  
 Resolutions—N. M. Greene, W. M. Thomas  
 Obituaries—C. J. Farthing, A. J. Greene



## THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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Sunday School Director—Ralph Beshears  
Baptist Training Union Director—H. W. Wilcox  
Orphanage Director—Russell D. Hodges  
Hospital Director—D. M. Edmisten  
Nominations—Moderator to Appoint  
Order of Business—Executive Committee  
Time, Place and Preacher—Moderator to Appoint  
Finance—Moderator to Appoint

### ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

N. M. Green ----- Boone

### BAPTIST TRAINING UNION ORGANIZATION

Director ----- H. W. Wilcox, Boone  
Assistant Director ----- Ernest Minich, Boone  
Secretary-Treas. ----- Susie Bell Moody, Vilas  
Adult Leader ----- Ralph Beshears, Boone  
Senior Leader ----- Mrs. Alma Shoemaker, Balm  
Intermediate Leader ----- Mrs. Hale Vance, Boone  
Junior Leader ----- Mrs. Odes Wilson, Zionville  
Story Hour Leader ----- Mrs. H. K. Middleton, Sherwood  
Group Leaders ---- Miss Ona Farthing, Mrs. Maxie Edmisten,  
Dayton Greene and Burl Isaacs.

### W. M. U. ORGANIZATION

Superintendent ----- Mrs. D. P. Coffey, Blowing Rock  
Assistant Superintendent ---- Mrs. Clara Brown, Blowing Rock  
Secretary-Treasurer ----- Mrs. Don. C. Perry, Sherwood  
Mission Study Chairman ----- Mrs. J. C. Canipe, Boone  
Personal Service Chairman --- Mrs. S. F. Horton, Sugar Grove  
Stewardship Chairman ----- Mrs. J. L. Qualls, Boone  
Librarian ----- Mrs. B. R. Page, Boone  
Young Peoples' Leader ----- Mrs. H. W. Wilcox, Boone  
Assistant Y. P. Leader ----- Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville

### SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

Superintendent ----- Ralph Beshears, Boone  
Assistant Supt. ----- H. K. Middleton, Sherwood  
Assistant Supt. for Training ----- H. R. Eggers, Boone  
Secretary ----- Elizabeth Page, Boone

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Group Superintendents—C. J. Farthing, E. R. Mikeal, I. B. Wilson and Henry Hagaman

Cradle Roll Leader ----- Mrs. H. W. Wilcox, Boone

Beginners Leader ----- Mrs. H. K. Middleton, Sherwood

Primary Leader ----- Mrs. J. C. Canipe, Boone

Junior Leader ----- Mrs. Tommy Holloway, Shulls Mills

Intermediate Leader ----- Miss Ella Austin, Boone

Young Peoples Leader ---- Miss Margaret Adams, Sugar Grove

Adult Leader and Extension ----- Roy Dotson, Boone

Vacation Bible School—H. K. Middleton, Sherwood

### ORDAINED MINISTERS

ANTIOCH—W. H. Glenn, Sugar Grove; G. W. Trivett, Vilas

BETHANY—James Allen, Banner Elk; J. T. McGuire, Altapass

BETHEL—L. C. Wilson and E. J. Farthing, Sugar Grove

BLOWING ROCK—James M. Hodges, Blowing Rock

BOONE—Roy Dotson, Tipton Green, J. A. Wilson and J. C. Canipe, Boone

BRUSHY FORK—Grady Minton, Vilas

COOL SPRINGS—W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock

COVE CREEK—H. K. Middleton, Sherwood

ELK KNOB—Noah Johnson, Meat Camp; Hiram Phillips, Trout

LAUREL SPRINGS—J. L. Greene and W. C. Greene, Laxon

MEAT CAMP—N. M. Greene and A. E. Moretz, Boone

MIDDLE FORK—R. H. Shore, J. J. Matney and Harley Coffey, Blowing Rock

MOUNT CALVARY—Roby Painter, Balm

MOUNT LEBANON—T. T. Danner, Valle Crucis; Vilas Minton and J. R. Shore, Vilas

OAK GROVE—Grady Hamby, Balm

RUTHERWOOD—A. B. Church, Boone

STONY FORK—H. H. Smith and T. S. Robbins, Deep Gap

THREE FORKS—Raymond Hendrix, Boone

UNION—J. R. TRIVETT, Zionville

WILLOWDALE—A. J. Greene, Vilas

WILLOW VALLEY—D. M. Edmisten, Sugar Grove



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ZIONVILLE—R. C. Eggers and D. C. Trivett, Zionville

POPLAR GROVE—Clayton Greene, Shulls Mills

**LICENTIATES**

BETHANY—Gold Hicks and E. Y. Edmisten, Banner Elk; A.

T. Watson, Rominger

COVE CREEK—Paul Tugman, Marshall

MIDDLE FORK—E. E. Colvard, Adams

UNION—Dallas Hodges, Mabel

PROFFIT GROVE—D. C. Michael, Boone

**ROLL OF MESSENGERS**

ANTIOCH—Dwight Cable, Doughton Greene, Bert Tester

BEAVER DAM—Lee Swift, Sanford Creed, Dallas Wilson

BEECH VALLEY—Geo. Harman, Herman Reece, W. S. Harman

BETHANY—John Ward, Spencer Watson, Howard Edmisten

BETHEL—D. C. Hagaman, D. F. Greene, Bert Farthing

BLOWING ROCK—Mrs. D. P. Coffey; Mrs. E. A. Banner, Kent Brown

BOONE—J. A. Williams, Clyde R. Greene, S. C. Eggers

BROOKSIDE—D. R. Ford, Euril Gragg, Orville Greer

BRUSHY FORK—D. S. Love, Asa Greene, Gordon Hodges

CLARK'S CREEK—Cordell Taylor, James Byrd, W. C. Smith

COOL SPRINGS—Paul Carlton, Melt Pennel, L. C. Rogers

COVE CREEK—Mrs. Stanley Harris, Mrs. Dave Mast, D. C. Mast

ELK KNOB—Frank Main, Lloyd Miller, W. C. South

FOREST GROVE—Fred Hagaman, W. E. Roark, Scott Norris

GAP CREEK—S. C. Watson, Thomas Fairchild, H. E. Greene

HOWARDS CREEK—L. F. Cottrell, W. L. Brown, Howard Miller

LAUREL SPRINGS—E. B. Hardin, D. B. Wagner, Joe Coffey

MEAT CAMP—Howard Gragg, Grady Wilson, Woodrow Greene

MIDDLE FORK—D. O. Greene, T. C. Hodges, Neil Ashley

MOUNT CALVARY—Ira Hodges, Homer Shoemaker, Fuller Lawrence

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MOUNT GILEAD—G. M. Lawrence, Smith Eggers, Clyde  
Bunton

MOUNT LEBANON—I. N. Minton, Ronda Earp, Don Coffey

OAK GROVE—Joe McNeil, L. M. Hodges, Joe C. Hodges

PLEASANT GROVE—I. B. Wilson, A. B. Culler, Clint Eggers

POPLAR GROVE—Collis Austin, M. W. Day, George Main

PROFFITS GROVE—J. A. Winebarger, Arlie Profft, Henry  
Bryan

RICH MOUNTAIN—M. S. Eggers, D. C. Penley, L. E. Beach

RUTHERWOOD—W. C. Carroll, Ralph Hodges, Virgil Carroll

SHULLS MILLS—J. B. Reed, Fred Hatley, Mont Teague

SOUTH FORK—J. S. Brown, E. R. Mikael, J. L. Miller

STONY FORK—J. J. Welborn, R. W. Smith, W. L. Greene

THREE FORKS—L. M. Moretz, Edwin Brookshire, Walter  
Edmisten

TIMBERED RIDGE—A. C. Greene, Robert Greene, John Ward

UNION—F. A. Warren, J. F. Oliver, W. M. Thomas

WILLOWDALE—Rex D. Bumgarner, Albert Hicks, Susie  
Elliott

WILLOW VALLEY—J. R. Phillips, Nannie Edmisten, Geo.  
Harman

ZION HILL—M. A. Ward, Graydon Hagaman, Tom Stanbery

ZIONVILLE—N. T. Byers, E. H. Wilson, Milton Brown



# PROCEEDINGS

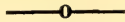
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Zionville, N. C.



**FIRST DAY**

**Tuesday, August 26th, 1941**

**Morning Session**

1. The Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina met in its One Hundred First Session with Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Zionville, N. C., August 26th, 1941, at 9:00 A. M.

2. The Session was opened by singing "How Firm a Foundation," led by Gordon Hodges and R. C. Eggers led in prayer.

3. The Moderator called the One Hundred First Session to order for the transaction of business.

4. The Clerk called the roll of churches. All churches were represented either by messenger or letter.

5. By motion duly seconded and carried it was agreed that the Association would run on Eastern Standard Time.

6. The Moderator delivered a short address in which he emphasized the history of the Association and the efforts made recently by our leadership to improve both our churches and the Association.

7. Wade E. Brown read the report of the Executive Committee on Order of Business which was adopted on motion of R. C. Eggers.

8. The report on Religious Literature was read by the Clerk and was discussed by J. C. Canipe, Wade E. Brown, Clyde R. Greene, N. M. Greene, Dr. R. C. Gresham and Walter Carroll and was adopted.

## REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Your committee desires to call attention to the abundance of literature available at our publication headquarters in Nashville. It is not possible to find a phase of our work for which there is not a fund of excellent material. Hundreds of tracts are ours for the asking.

In our own state there is now being published one of the most far-sighted and readable religious papers to be found in the whole Southland. We also have Charity and Children published by the orphanage press.

All of these publications are helpful and should be read widely. We only wish that many of them would make a greater appeal to our young people, many of whom seem to be finding greater attraction in the publications of some of the other denominations. We know that this is purely a selfish attitude, but feel that we are justified in an effort to enliven and continue the doctrines and practices which have made our denomination the citadel of religious liberty.

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. EGGERS

A. R. SMITH.

9. J. C. Canipe presented the report on Temperance which was discussed by Vilas Minton, Levi Greene, J. C. Canipe, J. S. Brown, M. J. Williams, J. M. Hodges and Henry Crisp and the report was adopted.

## REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

The liquor situation has become so bad in the Nation that it is now our major problem. The four curses of the human race have been and are, prostitution, gambling, godlessness and liquor. Of these liquor is now leading the way in our modern American life. When our nation repealed her prohibition laws she took the worst turn in all her history. Liquor men and liquor interests now ride high in the nation and even control state legislatures in so-called dry states.

We hear a great deal about democracy today. We fought one world war to make the world safe for democracy. We are now the arsenal of the democracies. But where is our democracy in reality? More than one hundred citizens went to Raleigh with more than one thousand signed resolutions from churches and citizens in their hands and requested the Legislature to put beer out of Watauga County. What answer did we get? Every person in this Association knows. We were almost laughed at and the reply was "NO."

Then in the last Legislature thousands of the citizens of this state petitioned that body which is supposed to represent the best citizenship of the state, to give us the right to vote on the liquor

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question. What was the answer again? "NO," and this decision was made by twelve men against the request of the tens of thousands of our best citizens over the state. Is that democracy? Is it democracy when twelve men say to a state of three millions of people that they can't vote on any situation or public question? Is it democracy when a dry county wants to be rid of the curse of beer and yet has no say so in any way about the question? Do we have to sit still and see our sons murdered in road houses that are openly so foul that they smell to high heaven and have no protection from the law or no right to vote our convictions? Is that democracy?

What are we going to do about it? Are we going to sit still and have the rotten liquor and beer crammed down our throats against our wills, or are we going to rise up and do something about it? If the Baptists of North Carolina would rise up together like the Israelites and smite the wet Philistines hip and thigh with our ballots at election time, we could regain our self-respect, our dry state and our democracy. But until this is done we can keep on crying democracy, democracy when there is no democracy. What shall it profit America if she gain the whole world and lose her own soul?

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. CANIPE

VILAS MINTON.

10. A collection was taken for the United Dry Forces which amounted to \$18.58.

11. R. H. Satterfield was given fifteen minutes to discuss the Biblical Recorder since he was not present when Religious Literature was under discussion.

12. The Moderator recognized the following visitors: Roby Isaacs, Catawba River Association; Dr. R. C. Gresham, Colquit County, Ga. Association; R. H. Satterfield representing Biblical Recorder; G. W. Sebastian, Brushy Mountain Association; Henry Crisp, Caldwell Association; Carl Triplett, Moderator Stony Fork Association, and J. C. Pipes representing the State Board.

13. Beech Valley, a new Baptist Church of Beech Creek, N. C., requested membership in our Association and the Moderator appointed the following as a committee to report of her application: J. C. Canipe, Grady Hamby and R. C. Eggers.

14. The Moderator announced the following committees:  
NOMINATIONS: R. C. Eggers, Dallas Wilson and I. B. Wilson.



FINANCE: M. J. Williams, J. J. Wellborn, Kemp Wilson and Larkin Pennell.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER: Ira Hodges, Walter Carroll and Lawrence Greene.

15. J. C. Canipe, the appointee to preach the Annual Sermon, read from the 26th chapter of the Acts and announced his text. "Whereupon, O King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision," and his subject, "Paul's Vision and Ours." His sermon was very timely emphasizing the following thoughts:

A. Paul Had a Vision

1. He saw the Christians as they were persecuted, 2. He saw God in Stephen, 3. He met the Christ on the Damascus road, 4. He saw his own condition, 5. He saw a lost world, 6. He experienced the remedy.

B. Paul Obeyed the Vision

1. He worked at the job, 2. He overcame difficulties, 3. He pressed toward the mark, 4. He kept his eyes on the cross, 5. He talked of his experiences with Christ, 6. He sought the lost everywhere and anywhere.

C. Results of His Obedience to the Vision

1. Souls were saved, 2. Churches were organized, 3. The Kingdom of God was advanced, 4. Christ was glorified, 5. Paul was immortalized himself.

16. The Association adjourned for noon recess; benediction by W. D. Ashley.

### Tuesday Afternoon Session

17. The Association reconvened at 1:00 P. M., the devotional service being conducted by Clayton Greene. R. H. Satterfield led in prayer.

18. The committee recommended that we admit Beech Valley Baptist Church of Beech Creek, N. C., into our Association. By motion and second this was done and the Moderator extended a welcome to the delegates from this church.

19. Mrs. Verne Greene read the report on Missions. Upon motion to adopt it was discussed by Mrs. Verne Greene, R. H. Satterfield and J. C. Pipes and was adopted.

## REPORT ON MISSIONS

From the great commission which Jesus gave to his chosen disciples has come the greatest task human beings have ever undertaken. Jesus said go into the world preaching, teaching, baptizing and making disciples in every nation. Here missionary work began from which has developed our program of missions divided into State, Home and Foreign Missions.

Southern Baptists at this time are also interested in providing churches, chapels and preachers for our boys who are in the service of our country in the army camps.

Every church in the Three Forks Association should endeavor to pray, teach and give more, making our churches more in keeping with the great commission. If we as Christians fail to do this and complete the task Jesus gave us, upon whom can He depend? Your committee urges every church in our association to become real missionary churches, growing in the knowledge and faith of Jesus, continuing in prayer and the winning of lost souls to Christ, at all times giving God the glory.

Respectfully submitted,

VERNE S. GREENE.

20. D. M. Edmisten presented the report on Christian Training. After a motion to adopt the report was discussed by D. M. Edmisten, Levi Greene, Arthur Wilson and H. K. Middleton and was adopted.

## REPORT ON CHRISTIAN TRAINING

We are living in days of the greatest stress and tribulation that the world has ever known. It would seem that all the evil forces of Satan and all his cohorts have been unleashed to run rampant upon our civilization in an effort to destroy it from the face of the earth. It is the consensus of this committee that there is only one solution to the evils that do so thoroughly beset us — that of a return to the religion of our forefathers. This can only be accomplished through a world program of Christian training.

It was the program of our Saviour when he lived among us to gather a small group of sincere and devoted disciples at his feet and instruct them in His plan of world salvation. These were then to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. Thus the plan of salvation is a personal and individual one. If each one of us who profess to be His disciples would follow His plan and take the gospel to our loved ones, our friends, and to the world, trying to win them by our personal efforts and by our love for them, dawn of the millenium would soon break upon us.

But His disciples need a program of Christian training before they are able to do their best for their Master. For this purpose,

therefore, we have set up certain agencies in our land to aid in such a training program.

Our Sunday Schools are considered as the teaching service of our church; our B. T. U. organizations as the training service and our regular church services as our preaching service. Each of His disciples, especially the young and new converts, should make it part of their program to enter into and cooperate fully with all of these training agencies. We are fearful that it has too often been our custom after the young convert has been received into our fellowship to neglect his training in the cause of our Master.

We believe that the world is hungry for the true and living gospel of our Lord, and that our people everywhere are tired of all the "isms" and "ologies" that have been thrust upon them. We would, therefore, recommend to our pastors and church leaders a renunciation of all creeds and propaganda and a return to the Old Time Religion of our fathers. If such could be the case, we sincerely believe that a great world revival would soon sweep our civilization and that peace and goodwill would again reign supreme upon the face of the earth.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. T. C. WRIGHT  
A. E. MORETZ

21. Ralph Beshears, Sunday School Director, read the report on Sunday Schools. Ralph Beshears, Arthur Wilson, C. J. Farthing, S. G. Eggers and Miss Ella Austin discussed the report and it was adopted.

### REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

In the Three Forks Association there is an active Sunday School in every church. During recent years we have accomplished a great deal in this field; but never let it be said of us that we are satisfied with our Sunday Schools as they are now. The fields are ripe and ready for harvest and we need workers to send into the fields.

We recommend the following improvement of our Sunday Schools:

1. That we become a more consecrated group of workers.
2. That we make the program of our Sunday Schools more interesting.
3. That we do more evangelistic work and increase our attendance.
4. That we put forth more effort to win people to Christ.
5. That we strive to reach the Standard of Excellence.
6. That we train our teachers in order that we may receive the best.



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7. That we train our people in the Bible through Vacation Bible Schools.
8. That we may put our all on the altar for Sunday Schools. When the above goals are reached we will see an awakening in the Sunday Schools such as we have never seen before.

Respectfully submitted,  
RALPH L. BESHEARS.

22. Conforming to a motion duly carried the Moderator appointed Clyde R. Greene, C. J. Farthing and N. M. Greene to convey the greetings and best wishes of the delegates to this session to A. J. Greene, who is unable to be present.

23. The Association adjourned, benediction by G. W. Sebastian.

### SECOND DAY

#### Wednesday Morning

24. The Moderator called the Association to order at 9:00 A. M. After singing "Amazing Grace" Grady Minton led in prayer.

25. The clerk read the report on Obituaries and by motion was instructed to place a picture and biography of Deacon Philip Greer in the minutes of this session. After the reading of above report J. C. Canipe offered prayer.

26. N. M. Greene, Associational Missionary, offered his report. This report was adopted after being discussed by N. M. Greene and Roby Eggers.

#### REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

During the past year I have traveled ten thousand miles and visited more than one thousand homes as your Missionary. I have helped in the following revivals and received the following amounts for this service: Poplar Grove \$30.49, Mount Gilead \$19.90, Brushy Fork \$43.87, Timbered Ridge \$17.30, and Zion Hill \$28.15. I have also held ten group evangelistic meetings at the following churches: Gap Creek, Middle Fork, Three Forks, Brushy Fork, Meat Camp, Poplar Grove, Bethel, Union, Howards Creek and Antioch. In addition to the above amounts reported in the revival work I have received the following support: Gap Creek \$9.71, Three Forks \$4.50, collection at Preachers Conference \$5.50, Brushy Fork \$4.75, Meat Camp \$8.23, Boone \$12.15, Poplar Grove \$3.46, Bethel \$10.68, Union \$5.96, Zionville \$1.00, Howards Creek \$1.50, Antioch \$5.50, W. C.

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Greene \$1.00, W. M. Thomas \$12.00, W. W. Wilson 75¢, Vilas Minton \$5.00. Total received \$279.50.

As chairman of your Promotion Committee I have endeavored to lay all the work of the denomination before our various churches. We held a special meeting of the Promotion Committee here in this church last night to hear reports from the various churches and to make plans for the work during the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

N. M. GREENE.

27. Mrs. J. C. Canipe brought the report on Woman's Work. After motion to adopt this report was discussed by Mrs. B. R. Page, Dr. R. C. Gresham and Mrs. D. F. Horton and was adopted.

### REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

The Woman's Missionary Union has chosen for its watchword for this year the second verse of the 67th Psalm, "That thy way may be known upon earth, thy salvation among all nations." The missionary message of this Psalm and its missionary plan are linked with the final commission of the Lord Jesus to His disciples: "Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world" and, "Ye shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in Judea and Samaria and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

God has no other plan for bringing to Him all the ends of the earth than the faithful service and efficient witness of those who know Him and walk in His way. That His message may find expression, that His program may go forward and His plan be made known are the purposes of the W. M. U.

"Striving to be laborers together with God," we seek to make His way known. First through prayer, second through Bible and mission study, third through enlistment, fourth through personal service, fifth through tithes and offerings and sixth, through missionary education of young people.

The annual W. M. U. meeting was held with Stony Fork Church in May. It was one of the most spiritual and uplifting meetings in our history. A wonderful spirit of Christian fellowship being experienced.

The reports for societies are most encouraging. There are eight active Woman's Missionary Societies and twelve Young Peoples' organizations, (Two R. A.'s in Boone Church being added last year) with a total membership of 683. During the past year gifts to missions and benevolences were \$639.59 and to local work

\$2,187.15. Many personal service deeds have served our Master.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. L. QUALLS.

28. Wade E. Brown, Chairman of the Executive Committee, presented the report of the Committee. This report was discussed by Wade E. Brown, J. C. Canipe and M. A. Huggins and was adopted.

### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee has met three times since our last Association as the needs arose. A meeting was held in December to discuss the program for this session and the program we are using was adopted. In March a meeting was held to make final plans for the Spring Session of our Association which was held with Laurel Springs Church. July 27th a meeting was held to consider recommendations to the Association for next year.

The following recommendations are made to the Association for your consideration:

1.—That the Association recommend that all the churches call their pastors for an indefinite length of time rather than the annual election plan.

2.—That our ministers and laymen be urged to magnify the local church as the fundamental unit of the Christian program, and to hold up our local pastors as the fundamental leader of the churches' work in the community.

3.—We recommend that the Spring Session of our Association be continued.

4.—We urge the churches to get their financial houses in order.

5.—We urge the preacher to follow Paul's example when he said, "For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God." (Acts 20-27.)

6.—We urge that a Biblical Recorder club be formed in each and every church of our Association.

Respectfully submitted,

WADE E. BROWN,

Ch. Ex. Committee.

29. D. M. Edmisten read the report on Associational Progress and led the discussion. The report was adopted after further discussion by J. C. Canipe and M. A. Huggins.



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**REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL PROGRESS**

	1939-40	1940-41	<i>Gain</i>	<i>Loss</i>
Membership .....	6130	6292	162	.....
Baptisms .....	186	243	57	.....
Sunday Schools .....	4620	4605	.....	15
B. Y. P. U. ....	507	842	335	.....
W. M. U. ....	410	459	49	.....
	1939-40	1940-41	<i>Gain</i>	<i>Loss</i>
Local Contributions .....	\$18535.28	\$30239.69	\$11704.41	.....
Missions & Benevolences .....	4473.41	4153.08	.....	\$320.33
Total Gifts .....	\$23008.69	\$34392.77	\$11384.08	.....

Last year 34 churches gave \$2,454.37 to the Orphanage, this year 36 churches gave \$2,185.87, a loss of \$268.50. Last year 33 churches gave \$683.16 to the Baptist Hospital, this year 33 churches gave \$540.57, a loss of \$142.59.

Respectfully submitted,  
D. M. EDMISTEN,  
I. B. WILSON

30. By motion the Executive Committee is to prepare the program for the Spring Session and is to have charge of the meeting.

31. The following were unanimously elected officers for the ensuing year:

- S. C. Eggers, Moderator
- Wade E. Brown, V. Moderator
- Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treas.
- A. J. Greene, Historian
- Doughton Green, Asst. Historian
- Gordon Hodges, Song Leader
- N. M. Green, Missionary.

32. J. C. Canipe offered the following amendment to our Constitution: "After the word 'moderator' in section four the words, 'vice moderator' be added." This amendment is referred to the churches and will be voted on at the next session of our Association according to the provisions of our Constitution.

33. The Association adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by Roy Dotson.

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### Wednesday Afternoon Session

34. The Association reconvened at 1:00 P. M. H. K. Middleton conducted the devotional service.

35. The report on Benevolences was read by Dallas Wilson who led the discussion. After further discussion by I. G. Greer Smith Hagaman, D. M. Edmisten and Levi Greene the report was adopted.

### REPORT ON BENEVOLENCES

In the 25th chapter of Matthew we have the teaching of Jesus of the return of the Lord and in Matthew 25:40 He taught that the King shall say to those on His right hand, "Verily, I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

In our benevolent work we have not only a sacred duty but a glorious opportunity. In carrying on the work of our Orphan Home, the Hospital and Old Ministers' Relief we may earn the commendation of our Lord in the words, "Well done."

Respectfully submitted,

BERT FARTHING,  
DALLAS WILSON.

36. Clyde R. Greene submitted the following report which was adopted.

### REPORT OF TREASURER

#### *Receipts*

Regular Minute Fund .....	\$131.22	
Special Minute Fund .....	137.60	
Special Collection .....	8.85	
W. M. U. ....	11.25	
Minutes Sold .....	1.50	
Total receipts .....		\$290.42

#### *Disbursements*

Overdraft .....	\$ 1.80
Printing Programs for last session .....	7.50
Drayage on Minutes .....	4.90
Picture of Moderators .....	2.00
Cuts for Churches .....	27.44
Clerk .....	20.00
Minutes .....	220.00

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Postage .....	3.82
Total disbursements .....	\$287.46
Balance cash on hand .....	\$...2.96

Respectfully submitted,  
CLYDE R. GREENE,  
Treasurer.

37. Kemp Wilson read the report of Finance Committee which was adopted.

### REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Received for Minute fund .....	\$102.77
Received for United Dry Forces .....	18.58
Total received .....	\$121.35
Paid to Treasurer .....	\$121.35

38. The report of the Committee on Nominations was read by R. C. Eggers and was adopted. This report will be found in the Associational Directory.

39. Lawrence Greene presented the report on Time, Place and Preacher and it was adopted.

### TIME PLACE AND PREACHER

*Time*—Tuesday and Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in August, 1942.

*Place*—Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Balm, N. C.

*Preacher*—H. E. Middleton

*Alternate*—W. J. Cook

Respectfully submitted,  
WALTER CARROLL,  
IRA HODGES,  
LAWRENCE GREENE.

40. Grady Hamby offered the report on Resolutions which was adopted.

### REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

We, your Committee on Resolutions, present the following:

1.—We urgently request the members of our Baptist Churches not to patronize the places where beer and wine are sold.

2.—We ask our people to do all they can to stamp out the drink habit in our county since it brings so many heart aches.

3.—We recommend that all Christian people unite in securing only Christians to teach in our public schools.



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4.—We extend our sincere thanks to the pastor and members of Pleasant Grove Church and to the Community for the splendid way in which they have entertained this session of our Association.

5.—We appreciate the faithful and efficient work of our Moderator and Clerk and we extend them our thanks.

6.—We wish to commend the Executive Committee for the splendid program at this session.

Respectfully submitted,  
GRADY HAMBY,  
GRADY MINTON.

41. By motion and second duly carried the clerk was directed to have the minutes printed and distributed to the churches and he is allowed \$20.00 for this work.

42. The minutes were read and approved.

43. J. C. Canipe delivered an inspirational address of much force and the One Hundred First Session of the Three Forks Association adjourned.

S. C. EGGERS, Moderator  
CLYDE R. GREENE, Clerk

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## PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPRING SESSION THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held With Laurel Springs Church  
Friday, April 11, 1941

1. The Three Forks Baptist Association met in special session with Laurel Springs Church, Laxon, N. C., Friday, April 11, 1941.

2. The session was called to order by the Moderator at 9:40 A. M. Wm. Day led the song service and W. J. Cook conducted the devotional.

3. The Clerk called the roll of churches and 21 were represented by delegates.

4. Wade E. Brown, Chairman of the Executive Committee, presented the program, with explanations as to the reason for the special session and outlined what we hoped to accomplish in the way of making plans for the work during the remainder of the year before our Annual Session in August.

5. J. C. Canipe delivered an address on "The Program of

Our State Baptist Convention" emphasizing "Worship and Evangelism."

6. J. C. Pipes presented the work along the same line stressing the individual's part of the program and what it costs us as individuals.

7. The discussion on Missions was led by G. A. Hamby who discussed State Missions; followed by Vilas Minton with a message on Home Missions and R. C. Eggers who spoke on Foreign Missions.

8. The session adjourned for the noon recess with benediction by W. C. Greene.

### Afternoon Session

9. The Session reconvened at 1:00 p. m. Grady Minton conducted the devotional service.

10. J. C. Canipe moved that we extend a vote of thanks to the Laurel Springs Church for their hospitality in entertaining the Session.

11. The Orphanage work was discussed briefly by Clyde R. Greene, Vilas Minton and S. C. Eggers.

12. Mrs. D. P. Coffey reported on Woman's Work; followed by D. M. Edmisten with a discussion of the Baptist Hospital; Ralph Beshears reviewed the Sunday School work and H. W. Wilcox reported on B. T. U.

13. J. C. Canipe made an announcement regarding the Vacation Bible Schools.

14. N. M. Greene, Associational Missionary, announced his plans for his work during the summer. He has grouped the churches into 11 groups and will hold a meeting in each group for the purpose of stimulating interest in the general work of the Kingdom.

15. A collection of \$8.21 was taken for the above outlined work which will be used to purchase books.

16. I. G. Greer delivered an inspiring address on "The Challenge of the Kingdom."

17. The Special Session closed with prayer by J. C. Canipe.

S. C. EGGERS, Moderator

CLYDE R. GREENE, Clerk

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DEDICATED TO

The Members Who Have Passed to the Great Beyond

Since Our Last Session

*Beaverdam—*

Mrs. Amelia Wilson  
Mrs. Nora Wilson

*Bethel—*

Mrs. Minnie Harman  
Mrs. Evaline Smith  
Mrs. Maggie Cornett

*Boone—*

Mr. H. P. Dougherty  
Dr. J. M. Hodges  
Mrs. L. M. Farthing

*Brushy Fork—*

Deacon David S. Fox  
Mr. Larkin Presnell  
Mrs. Eliza Hodges

*Clark's Creek—*

Miss Edith Lawrence

*Cove Creek*

Mrs. Virginia Miller  
Mr. Richard Burgess  
Mr. Don H. Phillips  
Mr. Perry Moody  
Mrs. Rosa Francum

*Elk Knob—*

Mr. Alex Allison

*Gap Creek—*

Mr. William Steelman

*Howards Creek—*

Mrs. Mary Norris

*Laurel Springs—*

Mrs. Wincey Greer  
Mrs. Clifford McGuire  
Mr. Larkin Watson

*Meat Camp—*

Mrs. Wiley Norris  
Mr. Marvin Miller

*Middle Fork—*

Mrs. Martha Ashley

*Mount Calvary—*

Mr. Ralph Johnson  
Mrs. Sallie Shook

*Mount Lebanon—*

Mr. G. W. Cornell  
Mr. Edward Greene

*Oak Grove—*

Mrs. Birdie Ward  
Mr. G. W. Barnes

*Pleasant Grove—*

Mrs. Amanda Fletcher

*Shulls Mills—*

Mrs. J. B. Reid  
Mr. James Brown

*Stony Fork—*

Mr. Andy W. Greene  
Miss Creola Greene  
Miss Velma Lea Greene  
Mr. Zeb V. Greene  
Mr. Oren Greene  
Mrs. Iona Bumgarner  
Deacon W. H. Miller

*Three Forks—*

Miss Emily Brown  
Mr. Eli S. Greene

*Timbered Ridge—*

Mrs. A. J. Tester

*Union—*

Mr. Smith Trivett

*Willowdale—*

Mr. Sam Atkins

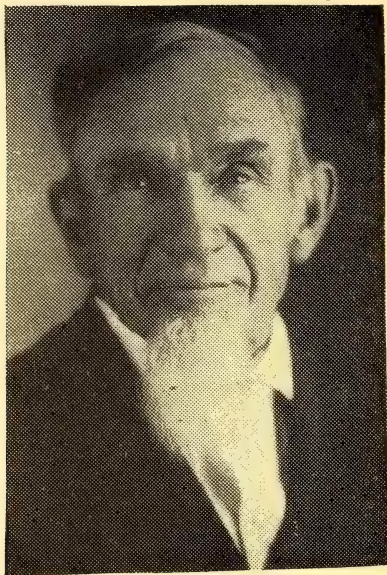
*Zionville—*

Deacon Phillip Greer  
Mrs. Mattie Isaacs  
Mrs. Ella Castle  
Mr. Marion Reece

*Zion Hill—*

Mrs. Mary Jane Presnell





Phillip Greer was born November 20th, 1843. He died May 8, 1941. In early manhood he moved to Dorton, Kentucky, where he married Mary Greer on November 16, 1864. This union was blessed with the following sons and daughters: Dr. F. M. Greer, Mabel; Mrs. J. F. Roten, Denver, Colo.; A. J. Greer, Washington, D. C.; W. C. Greer, Boone; I. G. Greer, Thomasville; Mrs. Chas. A. Greer, Zionville. T. M. Greer, Boone, and H. F. Greer, Morganton. Mrs. Greer passed on in October, 1931.

Mr. and Mrs. Greer moved to Zionville about 1880 where they lived until their deaths. Bro. Greer had been a member of Zionville Baptist Church since he settled there and for more than 50 years was a deacon and leader in the religious life of his community. The Watauga Democrat summed up his life in the following tribute: "Mr. Greer reared a family of eight sons and daughters who were brought up under Christian influences and they have grown into men and women of outstanding spiritual and material value to their various communities. No more upright or useful group of citizens have been reared in this region, and Mr. Greer and his devoted wife, have thus made a magnificent contribution to their country. Mr. Greer lived unostentatiously, and cared not for public position or wide influence. He devoted his long life to the well-being of his family, his neighbor and the furtherance of the Christian religion. The influence of this remarkable pioneer citizen shall be felt by generations yet unborn."

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
THREE FORKS WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION**

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Baptist Association held its Twenty-Eighth Annual Session with Stony Fork Baptist Church May 23rd, 1941:

The session was opened by singing, "Jesus Saves," the W. M. U. hymn for the year. The devotional was conducted by Mrs. W. B. Briggs, State Corresponding Secretary of the W. M. U., who read Psalm 67 and stressed verse two, the W. M. U. watchword for the year. Greetings were extended by Mrs. Ivery C. Greene, response by Mrs. Paul Coffey.

The theme of the day's program was "Our Continuing Task-Making His Way Known."

Mrs. B. R. Page discussed the W. M. U. Training School and Margaret Fund and mentioned the offering that would be taken for the W. M. U. Training School in August for scholarships and running expenses; and the offering for the Margaret Fund to be taken in connection with the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Rev. J. C. Canipe discussed the Cooperative Program and the One Hundred Thousand Club.

The Young Peoples Organizations of Boone and Cove Creek gave a playlet, "No Time" which showed the importance of young people in W. M. U. work and featured all the organizations. Mrs. Briggs brought a message in which she urged all young people to give themselves to the Lord and the Lord's work early in life. The report of the young people showed the following organizations represented with the number of their delegates: Boone Y. W. A. 4, R. A. 1, Int. G. A. 1, Jr. R. A. 6, Jr. G. A. 6 and Sunbeams 5; Cove Creek Y. W. A. T, Int. R. A. 4, Int. G. A. 6, Jr. R. A. 8, Jr. G. A. 6 and Sunbeams 2.

The Superintendent recognized the following pastors and visitors: J. C. Canipe, B. R. Page, W. D. Ashley, N. M. Greene, D. M. Edmisten, Vilas Minton, Mr. and Mrs. Earl C. James and Mrs. W. D. Briggs.

To the roll the following societies responded with num-

ber of their delegates: Blowing Rock 12, Boone 18, Cove Creek 11, Meat Camp 6, Mount Calvary (Report but no delegates), Poplar Grove 6, Stony Fork 16, Willow Valley 2, and Zion Hill 5.

The Superintendent reported eight societies and twelve young peoples organizations: \$102.00 given to the One-Hundred-Thousand Club last year and asked that we give \$142.00 this year; 133 letters written; 112 miles traveled; one meeting held and one society visited. She urged that more tithers be added, more women enlisted, more mission study classes held and that all work harder as "Laborers together with God."

The following Committees were appointed by the Superintendent:

NOMINATIONS—Mrs. Clyde Eggers, Mrs. Bessie Greene, Mrs. Alice Brown, Mrs. Don C. Perry, Mrs. R. S. Swift.

OBITUARIES—Mrs. Hattie Lewis and Miss Maude Perry.

RECOMMENDATIONS—Mrs. J. C. Canipe and Mrs. J. L. Qualls.

TIME AND PLACE—Mrs. Dave Mast and Mrs. H. W. Wilcox.

RESOLUTIONS—Mrs. S. F. Horton and Mrs. James B. Mast.

LIBRARIAN—Mrs. W. C. Greer.

The morning session was dismissed with prayer by J. C. Canipe.

### Afternoon Session

The afternoon session was opened by singing "Majestic Sweetness Sits Enthroned," followed with prayer by Vilas Minton.

An open conference was led by Mrs. Briggs and was entered into by many women.

The Mission Study report was made by Mrs. J. C. Canipe. She urged that we teach missions, stewardship and soul winning as taught in the Bible; too, that we teach methods and books on missionaries and work on mission fields and closed with a brief survey of mission fields today.

A message was brought by Mrs. Earl C. James, Divisional Superintendent, on divisional work, missionary study, personal service, and training of young people. She mentioned several people in the Bible and outside too, who have done great things



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for God while yet young. She closed with the thought, "One thing needful—to serve in the vineyard of the Lord."

In the absence of the Personal Service Chairman, Mrs. Dave Mast read the report. Four societies reported definite soul winning, cottage prayer meetings, Daily Vacation Bible Schools, work for underprivileged children, work for prisoners and negroes, baskets for needy and County Home.

The Chairman asked that all societies send her a quarterly report.

The Treasurer made the following report:

Balance May 21, 1940 .....	\$ 9.98
Received for Minute Fund .....	5.19
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Total .....	\$15.17
Paid for printing Minutes .....	\$11.25
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Balance .....	\$ 3.92

The business session was presided over by Mrs. Briggs.

The report on Nominations was read by Mrs. Bessie Greene and was adopted.

- Superintendent ..... *Mrs. D. P. Coffey*
- Assistant Superintendent ..... *Mrs. Clara Brown*
- Secretary-Treasurer ..... *Mrs. Don C. Perry*
- Mission Study Chairman ..... *Mrs. J. C. Canipe*
- Personal Service Chairman ..... *Mrs. S. F. Horton*
- Stewardship Chairman ..... *Mrs. J. L. Qualls*
- Librarian ..... *Mrs. B. R. Page*
- Young Peoples Leader ..... *Mrs. H. W. Wilcox*
- Assistant Young Peoples Leader ..... *Mrs. Nora M. Wilson*

Since there had been no deaths of W. M. S. members since last Annual Meeting the Committee on Obituaries had no report.

The report on Recommendations was read by Mrs. J. L. Qualls.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

Recognizing our blessing in the past and realizing our opportunities for service for Him, we recommend: 1.—That we study thoughtfully our theme for the year—"That Thy way may be

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known on the earth, Thy salvation among all nations," and the hymn for the year, "Jesus Saves"; 2.—That we study the W. M. U. Year Book and take it as our guide as to methods, plans and standards, and that special emphasis be placed on the fundamentals for which our W. M. U. stands; 3.—That we devote ourselves to a more consecrated prayer life, individual and as Missionary Societies; 4.—That we study diligently; 5.—Goals. Increased gifts, enlarged membership, more tithers, additional mission study classes and vitalized personal service; 6.—That we pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in all our work.

Respectfully submitted,  
MRS. J. C. CANIPE,  
MRS. J. L. QUALLS.

The Report on Time and Place was made by Mrs. Dave Mast.

*Place*—Cove Creek Baptist Church.

*Time*—To be announced later.

The report on Resolutions was read by Mrs. James B. Mast.

### RESOLUTIONS

We, the members of the W. M. S. of the Three Forks Association, who have met in this, our Twenty-Eighth Annual Session, with the W. M. U. of Stony Fork Church, are grateful for the many blessings that have come to us in our efforts to do service for our Master through the past year.

Therefore, be it resolved:

1.—That we express with sincerity and love our gratitude to the Christian women of the Stony Fork Church for their cordial and gracious entertainment of us as their fellow-workers in Christ.

2.—That we express our gratitude to all officials, both associational and state, who have in any way helped to make this day's program spiritually profitable to us.

3.—That we recognize with thankfulness and kindly affection the untiring efforts and labor of our beloved president, Mrs. Coffey, and such other officers in our Association who have helped to promote God's work among us.

4.—That as we go out from this day's fellowship we will pledge ourselves anew to push forward with greater zeal and determination to win the lost in our Association to Christ. And in all things may we give Him the preeminence.

Respectfully submitted,  
MRS. S. F. HORTON,  
MRS. JAMES B. MAST

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All reports were adopted as read.

An offering was taken for the printing of the minutes which amounted to \$7.19.

On motion of Mrs. J. C. Canipe each society was asked to send an offering to the Treasurer for the expense fund of the Associational W. M. U.

Mrs. Briggs mentioned the Heck Memorial offering to be taken in June and Centennial Membership in the One Hundred Thousand Club.

The session was dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Earl C. James.

MRS. D. P. COFFEY, Superintendent.

MRS. DON C. PERRY, Secretary





CHURCHES

SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES

Church	Superintendent	Post Office	Grade Roll Under 3	Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16	Young People 17-24	Adults 25 and Up	Extension Dept.	Departmental Officers	Have You a Mission Sunday School?	Enrollment M. S. S.	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Baptisms from S. S.	Is School Graded?	Teachers Hold'g. Dip.	Enrollment V. B. S.	
Antioch	Doughton Greene	Sugar Grove	12	11	15	18	16	12	12		8		92	52	1					
Beaver Dam	Dallas Wilson	Reece	24	20	18	32	33	40	7		7		174	115	10					
Beech Valley	George M. Harman	Beech Creek	6	14	9	10	15	15	15		3		56	74						
Bethel	A. T. Watson	Rominger	16	11	12	11	17	27	27		2		97	74						
Blowing Rock	Carl Farthing	Sugar Grove	30	25	20	15	45	50	50				185	95	5	*				
Boone	Kent K. Brown	Blowing Rock	12	10	12	15	14	32	32				95	65		*				
Brookside	Bernard Dougherty	Boone	20	22	40	38	81	220	100	24	21		566	261	10	*	28			
Brushy Fork	D. R. Ford	Blowing Rock	6	6	6	5	6	25	25		5		71	30		*				
Clark's Creek	Lee Anderson	Vilas	15	25	14	14	12	18	50	9			157	80		*				
Cool Springs	W. C. Smith	Banner Elk																		
Cove Creek	Howard Shore	Boone	16	6	12	20	33	69	69				188	78	17	*	8		55	
Elk Knob	Mrs. S. F. Horton	Sugar Grove	8	11	6	7	25	15	15		7		73	48	3					
Forest Grove	Frank Main	Tamarack	7	10	12	15	22	25	25				101	65		*				
Gap Creek	A. G. Johnson	Reece	10	12	10	21	18	22	22		3		96	58	3	*				
Howards Creek	Ned Norris	Deep Gap	6	8	5	10	6	16	12				58	43		*				
Laurel Springs	D. B. Wagner	Boone	5	10	5	15	25	40	35	10	18		163	95	5	*				
Meat Camp	Vernie S. Greene	Zionville	8	10	8	18	27	20	35	11	11		137	61		*				
Middle Fork	Miss Faye Ashley	Blowing Rock	10	12	8	28	12	30	20	10	10		130	61		*				
Mount Calvary	J. M. Shoemaker	Balm	9	12	12	8	24	40	40				94	113	89	16	*	2	17	
Mount Gillead	Clyde Buntun	Beech Creek	8	12		15	15	15	15				46	50	40					
Mount Lebanon	Clarence Earp	Vilas	8	6	15	17	10	16	16		9		81	65						
Oak Grove	L. M. Hodges	Adams	16	15	20	20	26	30	52		10		189	110	5				39	
Pleasant Grove	L. B. Wilson	Zionville	46	17	16	25	17	33	36		5		201	185						
Poplar Grove	M. W. Day	Shulls Mills	15	13	25	28	20	24	24				125	61		*			35	
Profit Grove	Arie Proffitt	Meat Camp	6	5	15	14	15	15	15				70	54	7					
Rich Mountain	James McNeil	Zionville	8	9	10	15	10	10	10		7		69	45	8					
Rutherford	W. C. Carroll	Boone	17		25		30	41			2		115	90						
Shulls Mills	Mrs. Edna Holloway	Shulls Mills																		
South Fork	E. R. Mikeal	Todd																		
Stony Fork	W. L. Greene	Stony Fork	10	25	15	18	30	15	70		10		193	182	19	*			80	
Stony Fork	W. G. Todd	Boone	8	25	12	17	22	20	51				155	66		*				
Timbered Ridge	John Ward	Reece			14	15	20	12	15				76	65		*				
Union	R. H. Townsend	Zionville	8	10	15	20	15	30	52				150	110		*				
Willowdale	Rex D. Bumgarner	Vilas	7	10	11	22	21	27	21		9		107	71	2					
Willow Valley	Spencer Cable	Sugar Grove	14	8	7	8	15	41	25				93	50		*				
Zion Hill	Graham Haganam	Beech Creek	19		20	8					7		79	72		*				
Zionville	R. L. Trivett	Zionville	6	19	19	28	21	67	67				141	90	6					
TOTALS			212	437	380	597	639	856	1164	34	170	140	4605	2914	117		38		126	

Av. Att. V. B. S.

TABLE THREE—BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	DIRECTOR OF TRAINING UNION H. W. Wilcox, Boone, N. C.																
	Adult Unions	Yng. People's Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Total Unions, St. Hrs.	Adults Enrolled	Yng. People Enrolled	Int. Enrolled	Jrs. Enrolled	Story Hours Enrolled	Total Enrolled Unions and Story Hours	Daily Bible Readers	Taking Study Course	Ttl. Systematic Givers	Been A-1 One Quar?	Students in College
Bethany.....	1					1	4	14	12	8	14	14	11	10	10		
Blowing Rock.....	1					4	12	6	12	8	38	38	11	28	4		
Boone.....	6				1	10	20	25	22	12	5	181	15	45	116		
Brushy Fork.....	1				1	3	30	20	15	15	55	15	38	30	12		
Cove Creek.....	1				1	5	8	5	14	14	10	51	38	30	12		3
Laurel Springs.....	1				1	3	25	25	18	12	68	68	5	5			
West Camp.....	1				1	3	25	32	12	12	69	69	28	32	19	*	4
Mount Calvary.....	1				1	5	15	11	13	10	5	51	28	32	19		
Oak Grove.....	1				1	4	23	11	20	15	15	72	17	25			2
Pleasant Grove.....	1				1	5	12	9	21	16	6	64	21	29			
Rutherford.....	1				1	5	28	13	13	30	9	93	35	8			
Stony Fork.....	1				1	3					80	80	35	8			1
Willow Valley.....	1				1	3					80	80	35	8			1
<b>TOTALS.....</b>	10	15	10	9	7	51	167	270	153	132	50	842	165	212	161		10





TABLE FIVE—CHURCH PROPERTY

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Does Church Own House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rms.	No. Sep. Class Rooms	Value Church House and Grounds	Value Mission Chapel	Value Pastor's Home	Total Value of All Church Property	Insurance Carried	Indebtedness
Antioch.....	Joy G. Greene, Sugar Grove.....	Yes	1903	Wood	300	1	1	2500	.....	.....	.....	2500	.....	.....
Beaver Dam.....	C. B. Reece, Trade, Tenn.....	Yes	1924	Wood	350	8	1	3800	.....	.....	.....	3800	.....	.....
Beech Valley.....	Herman Reece, Beech Creek.....	Yes	1898	Wood	150	1	7	175	.....	.....	.....	175	.....	.....
Bethany.....	M. P. Ward, Balm.....	Yes	1898	Wood	250	1	.....	1000	.....	.....	.....	1000	.....	.....
Bethel.....	Bert Farthing, Sugar Grove.....	Yes	1924	Brick	450	9	1	5000	.....	.....	.....	5000	440	.....
Blowing Rock.....	Mrs. Kent Brown, Blowing Rock.....	Yes	1924	Brick	250	8	1	17000	.....	.....	.....	17000	.....	.....
Boone.....	G. P. Hagaman, Boone.....	Yes	1929	Brick	800	47	6	41	75000	.....	7500	82500	115000	25000
Brookside.....	Julia Penley, Buffalo Cove.....	Yes	1938	Wood	400	1	.....	2500	.....	.....	.....	2500	.....	.....
Brushy Fork.....	Minnie Dare Greene, Vilas.....	Yes	1881	Wood	300	6	1	5	4000	.....	.....	4000	.....	.....
Clark's Creek.....	Harston Coffey, Banner Elk.....	Yes	1888	Wood	500	1	.....	1000	.....	.....	.....	1000	.....	.....
Cool Springs.....	E. E. Carlton, Blowing Rock.....	Yes	1888	Wood	400	1	.....	1500	.....	.....	.....	1500	.....	.....
Cove Creek.....	Hattie S. Lewis, Sherwood.....	Yes	1923	Brick	400	10	1	9	10000	.....	4000	14000	.....	.....
Elk Knob.....	W. C. South, Tamarack.....	Yes	1859	Wood	200	1	.....	500	.....	.....	.....	500	.....	.....
Forest Grove.....	Walter Johnson, Vilas.....	Yes	1907	Wood	450	1	.....	1100	.....	.....	.....	1400	.....	.....
Gap Creek.....	L. F. Cottrell, Boone.....	Yes	1882	Wood	300	5	1	4	1500	.....	.....	1500	.....	.....
Howard Creek.....	W. H. Wagner, Boone.....	Yes	1900	Wood	400	3	1	2	1000	.....	.....	1000	.....	.....
Laurel Springs.....	M. C. Brown, Boone.....	Yes	1938	Brick	300	1	.....	5130	.....	.....	.....	5130	.....	.....
Mead Camp.....	L. C. Hodges, Blowing Rock.....	Yes	1927	Wood	400	5	1	4	5000	.....	.....	5000	.....	.....
Middle Fork.....	R. C. Greene, Balm.....	Yes	1905	Wood	300	1	.....	10000	.....	.....	.....	3000	.....	.....
Mount Calvary.....	Ted Reece, Heaton.....	Yes	1933	Brick	400	6	1	5	2000	.....	2500	12800	700	.....
Mount Lebanon.....	Ronda Earp, Vilas.....	Yes	1891	Wood	200	1	.....	300	.....	.....	.....	2000	.....	.....
Oak Grove.....	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams.....	Yes	1891	Wood	300	1	.....	900	.....	.....	.....	900	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove.....	John Hagaman, Zionville.....	Yes	1937	Brick	400	6	1	5	7200	.....	.....	7200	600	2000
Poplar Grove.....	Collis Austin, Shulls Mills.....	Yes	1899	Wood	225	5	1	4	3000	.....	.....	3000	.....	.....
Proffit Grove.....	C. M. Proffit, Meat Camp.....	Yes	1919	Wood	300	1	.....	6	4500	.....	.....	4500	.....	.....
Rich Mountain.....	L. E. Beach, Zionville.....	Yes	1907	Wood	200	1	.....	1000	.....	.....	.....	1000	.....	.....
Rutherford.....	Mrs. B. D. Clawson, Boone.....	Yes	1939	Wood	400	1	.....	2300	.....	.....	.....	2800	.....	.....
Shulls Mills.....	C. M. Shore, Shulls Mills.....	Yes	.....	Wood	250	1	.....	500	.....	.....	.....	500	.....	.....
South Fork.....	Leslie Norris, Todd.....	Yes	1901	Wood	300	1	.....	3000	.....	300	.....	3000	.....	.....
Stony Fork.....	John Wellborn, Stony Fork.....	Yes	1858	Wood	400	1	.....	1200	.....	.....	.....	1200	.....	.....
Three Forks.....	Walter Edmisten, Boone.....	Yes	1922	Wood	300	5	1	4	3000	.....	.....	3000	.....	.....
Timbered Ridge.....	T. C. Tester, Reece.....	Yes	1912	Wood	300	1	.....	1000	.....	.....	.....	1000	.....	.....
Union.....	J. M. Burkett, Mabel.....	Yes	1940	Wood	525	7	1	6	4000	.....	.....	4000	.....	.....
Willowdale.....	L. A. Eumgarner, Vilas.....	Yes	1923	Wood	300	6	1	5	3000	.....	.....	3000	.....	.....
Willow Valley.....	George W. Harman, Sugar Grove.....	Yes	.....	Wood	300	1	.....	1000	.....	.....	.....	1000	.....	.....
Zion Hill.....	Lewis Harman, Beech Creek.....	Yes	1886	Wood	400	3	1	2	5000	.....	.....	5000	103	.....
Zionville.....	Mozella Eggers, Zionville.....	Yes	1927	Wood	300	7	1	6	5000	.....	.....	5000	.....	2000
<b>TOTALS.....</b>									196105	300	14300	210603	13243	29000

TABLE SIX—GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK

CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for Sunday School and B.Y.P.U. and W. M. S.	Help Given for Local Poor	For Printing the Minutes and Clerk	Other Objects	Grand Total for Local Purposes Given by Church and Orgs.	Pledged to Cooperative Program	Number Titlers
Antioch	Edwin L. Glenn, Sugar Grove	123.35		28.37	24.70		6.00	21.50	6.00			209.92		
Beaver Dam	Lee Swift, Trade, Tenn.	189.64		48.98	50.00		25.00	30.00	6.00	2.15		345.83		
Beech Valley	W. S. Harman, Beech Creek	15.00		15.00	192.72		16.91	3.00		2.50		227.21		
Bethany	A. T. Watson, Rominger	104.75	1.00	14.11	136.00		3.00	25.00		1.00	4.00	308.86		
Bethel	W. W. Wilson, Sugar Grove	171.69		39.25	59.81	677.83	110.55	59.81	15.03	12.00		11,777	75.00	4
Blowing Rock	D. P. Coffey, Blowing Rock	262.50		56.95			85.55	94.27	4.65		22.80	1,098.20		
Boone	Russell D. Hodges, Boone	216.00			171.47	2692.47	900.34	366.62		25.00		6316.50	1000.00	
Brookside		25.00									1.40	34.10	20.00	
Brushy Fork	Fred C. Wilson, Vilas	204.92	4.00	43.83	25.00		52.30	53.07	19.55	3.00		406.67		
Clark's Creek	Mrs. W. C. Smith, Banner Elk	60.50		25.40	500.00		12.82	16.00		1.00		595.90		
Cool Springs	L. C. Rodgers, Blowing Rock	68.00		22.50		6.50						110.82		
Cove Creek	Miss Margaret Adams, Sherwood	674.93		61.86	274.35		90.08	112.98	2.10	12.32	2.00	1,820.32	200.00	10
Elk Knob		52.50		12.00				13.00				77.50		
Forest Grove	Spencer Warren, Vilas	105.15		20.00			12.26	24.82		7.40	35.89	205.52		
Gap Creek	Mrs. Clyde Moretz, Deep Gap	166.81		19.20			23.55	23.00				234.57		
Howards Creek	Mrs. W. L. Brown, Boone	113.69		21.50	27.35		13.81	20.47		3.15		172.62		
Laurel Springs	W. H. Wagner, Boone	168.14		43.32	40.01		40.71	46.47	451.74	3.40	36.00	833.79		
Meat Camp	W. H. Greene, Boone	186.87	4.16	91.81			46.18	36.30				375.29		
Middle Fork	L. P. Hodges, Blowing Rock	157.60		29.00			38.42	29.96		12.00		227.98		
Mount Calvary	J. M. Shoemaker, Balm	555.96		58.00	2500.00	27.00	82.85	52.38	12.05	2.50		3,290.74	45.00	
Mount Gilead	Ted Reece, Heaton	28.50		18.80								62.30		
Mount Lebanon	Blanch Earp, Vilas	112.29						15.01			1.88	139.18		
Oak Grove	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams	299.50		51.10	20.00	1208.00	57.70	52.77	67.00	8.00	45.00	1,809.07	25.00	5
Pleasant Grove	John Haganan, Zionville	239.33	5.00	83.00	149.74		87.33	76.58	45.00	7.67		753.65		
Poplar Grove	F. M. Shore, Boone	145.16		40.09	125.00	3.12	21.08	9.99	19.00	4.00	7.03	374.87		
Profit Grove	Herman Bryan, Meat Camp	100.00		25.00				15.85	17.75	1.50	2.99	187.57		
Rich Mountain	L. E. Reach, Zionville	35.59		18.09				12.00		1.50	2.60	66.69		
Rutherford	Green R. Carroll, Boone	151.69		64.52			39.46	41.86	38.70		7.87	344.10		
Shulls Mills	Mrs. Ninamae Cook, Shulls Mills			15.00	50.00		42.00	22.35		2.00		191.35		
South Fork	W. F. Norris, Todd	161.80		56.25			18.06	16.80	2.80		10.00	245.39	50.00	
Stony Fork	D. L. Wellborn, Stony Fork	304.53		28.10	3090.00		5.00	90.00	5.00	4.00		3,464.78		
Tree Forks	W. G. Todd, Boone	176.66		17.62	108.00		83.83	43.48	4.50		10.00	367.97		
Union	E. B. Hagaman, Beech Creek	97.00		16.20			15.00	12.00		5.00		229.31		
Willow Dale	M. L. Warren, Mabel	150.00		43.40	3100.00		29.47	48.00	45.00		124.00	3924.87		
Willow Valley	Fred Blair, Vilas	150.00		30.00			29.00	26.00		2.50		250.50	20.00	
Zion Hill	Osborne Harman, Sugar Grove	148.75		17.85	15		63.77	29.89		1.80	3.00	265.21		
Zionville	Clarence Cannon, Beech Creek	131.42		28.15			131.20	14.42	20.50	1.00		246.69	40.00	
Zionville	Miss Mozella Eggers, Zionville	946.00		6.00			167.94	14.42		1.00	37.00	1,260.34		
TOTALS		8324.31	14.16	1268.98	10496.69	4614.92	2225.00	1627.43	1186.34	125.54	377.23	30,239.69	1525.00	23

TABLE SEVEN—MISSIONS AND BENEVOLENCES

CHURCHES	Total to Co-operative Program	Special to Associa-tional Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Schools and Colleges	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Special to Old Ministers' Relief	Special to Club 100,000	Other Objects	Total Given Missions and Benevolences	Grand Total for All Purposes Given by Church
Antioch.....			4.00	2.20	14.65	6.00	17.50	2.00			1.10	23.50	233.42
Beaver Dam.....						102.20	5.75					131.90	477.73
Beech Valley.....													427.21
Bethel.....	23.50	10.18			35.12	93.03	42.28				11.50	215.61	1313.81
Blowing Rock.....	21.20		2.00	8.00	12.00	15.35	9.13			6.50	5.00	79.18	612.90
Boone.....	437.00			13.72	8.65	139.51	101.75	53.37		84.20		839.00	7155.50
Brookside.....						3.30						3.30	37.40
Brushy Fork.....	4.61			11.50	7.07	60.00	24.50					107.68	514.35
Clark's Creek.....						6.00						6.00	601.90
Cool Springs.....						13.70	6.00					19.70	130.52
Cove Creek.....	57.59			153.56		80.93	16.82					358.97	1589.29
Elk Knob.....	23.57					1.00				40.34	9.73	1.00	78.50
Forest Grove.....						59.57	9.10	4.00				96.24	301.76
Gap Creek.....						45.00	21.63					93.83	328.40
Howards Creek.....													181.62
Laure Springs.....	6.50	9.50	6.06	5.05	8.63	33.00	22.07	4.00				65.57	839.36
Middle Fork.....						69.95	14.54	2.50				116.23	491.52
Mount Calvary.....	21.80		10.00			33.30	3.00					41.58	269.56
Mount Gilgoad.....						89.28	9.97	18.00				152.42	3443.16
Mount Lebanon.....						7.00	7.00					7.00	69.30
Oak Grove.....	5.00					63.70	4.88			3.44		72.02	211.20
Pleasant Grove.....	64.00					60.50	8.87			3.42		77.79	1886.86
Poplar Grove.....						408.70	11.00			5.00		488.70	1242.35
Profit Grove.....						40.77						61.80	436.67
Rich Mountain.....				4.52		12.65	7.75			21.03		24.92	212.49
Rutherford.....						7.00	9.50					9.50	76.19
Shulls Mills.....			2.61			17.57	2.18					22.36	366.46
South Fork.....						17.77	6.87			4.25		28.89	220.24
Stony Fork.....						16.80	10.75					27.55	272.94
Three Forks.....						100.00	10.74					110.74	357.72
Timbered Ridge.....	50.94					52.90	50.63					154.47	522.44
Union.....		4.06				16.08	41.58					61.72	29.03
Willow Dale.....	20.00					138.00	16.13			11.00		165.13	4090.00
Willow Valley.....	4.00					30.19	8.00					58.19	308.69
Zion Hill.....			4.07			108.16	9.00					121.16	386.97
Zionville.....						159.85	24.75					206.45	456.11
Bethany.....	5.00					9.11	10.50				17.75	19.61	499.74
TOTALS.....	744.71	23.74	39.69	198.55	85.43	12.02	2185.87	540.57	83.87	131.04	98.22	4153.08	34392.77













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**NORTH CAROLINA**

**One Hundred Second Annual Session**

**Held With**

**Mount Calvary Baptist Church**

**Balm, N. C.**

**August 25th and 26th, 1942**



**The One Hundred Third Session to be held with Clark's**

**Creek Baptist Church, Valle Crucis, N. C.,**

**August 24th and 25th, 1943.**

**Vilas Minton to Preach the Annual Sermon**

**W. M. Gerald, Alternate**



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THEME: "THE LIGHT In a Dark World".

Tuesday, Aug. 24, 1943

- 9:30- 9:55—Devotional and Roll Call
- 9:55-10:15—Address of Moderator
- 10:15-11:00—Temperance
- 11:00-11:30—Religious Literature
- 11:30-11:45—Announcements regarding the Noon Recess and Miscellaneous
- 11:45-12:30—Annual Sermon, Vilas Minton

#### Noon Recess

- 1:30- 1:45—Devotional
- 1:45- 3:00—Missions
- 3:00- 3:45—Christian Education (Colleges, Sunday School and B. T. U.)
- 3:45- 4:00—Closing Worship

#### Night Session

- 7:30- 8:45—Special meeting of Promotion Committee and Delegates  
Reports for the Churches
- 8:45- 9:20—Missionary Sermon, R. C. Eggers

Wednesday, Aug. 25, 1943

- 9:30- 9:45—Devotional
- 9:45-10:05—Obituaries
- 10:05-10:30—Report of Associational Missionary
- 10:30-11:00—Woman's Work
- 11:00-11:30—Report of Executive Committee
- 11:30-12:00—Associational Progress  
Reports from Churches and Aims for Next Year
- 12:00-12:15—Election of Officers

#### Noon Recess

- 1:15- 1:30—Devotional
- 1:30- 2:30—Benevolences (Mills Home, Hospital and Old Ministers' Relief)
- 2:30- 3:00—Reports: Treasurer, Finance, Nominations, Resolutions and Time, Place & and Preacher.
- 3:00- 3:30—Miscellaneous and Reading of Minutes
- 3:30- 4:00—Inspirational Message, J. C. Canipe  
Executive Committee.

**DIRECTORY**

**Officers of the Association**

S. C. Eggers, Moderator .....	Boone
Wade E. Brown, V. Moderator .....	Boone
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treasurer .....	Boone
Doughton Greene, Historian .....	Sugar Grove
Gordon Hodges, Song Leader .....	Vilas
N. M. Greene, Associational Missionary .....	Boone

**Executive Committee**

Wade E. Brown, Chairman .....	Boone
Vilas Minton .....	Todd
W. D. Farthing .....	Boone
Cecil Glenn .....	Vilas
Lee Swift .....	Trade, Tenn.
R. C. Eggers .....	Zionville
S. C. Eggers .....	Boone
Clyde R. Greene .....	Boone

**Promotion Committee**

N. M. Greene, Chairman, Boone; Dwight Cable, Lee Swift, W. W. Wilson, Howard Shore, S. F. Horton, W. C. Greene, Richard Smith, C. J. Farthing, James McNeil, Mrs. Roxie Brown, Aurelia Greene, Henry Hagaman.

**Nominations**

Missions—G. A. Hamby, Henry Hagama and I. B. Wilson.  
 Religious Literature—C. J. Farthing and Ella Austin.  
 Asociationoal Progress—D. M. Edmisten and I. N. Minton.  
 Benevolences—Dallas Wilson and John Hagaman.  
 Temperance—W. W. Wilson and Tom Stansbery.  
 Christian Education—J. C. Canipe and N. M. Greene.  
 Woman's Work—Mrs. D. F. Horton, Mrs. Nora Wilson and Mrs. Spencer Cable.  
 Resolutoins—L. M. Hodges and Grady Minton.  
 Obituaries—Doughton Greene and Luther Ward.

Sunday School Director—C. J. Farthing, Boone.  
 B. T. U. Director—Alfred Adams, Boone.  
 Orphanage Director—Russell D. Hodges, Boone.  
 Hospital Director—D. M. Edmisten, Sugar Grove.  
 Nominations—Moderator to Appoint.  
 Order of Business—Executive Committee.  
 Time, Place and Preacher—Moderator to Appoint.  
 Finance—Moderator to Appoint.

### BAPTIST TRAINING UNION ORGANIZATION

Director ..... Alfred Adams, Boone  
 Assistant Director ..... H. W. Wilcox, Boone  
 Secretary-Treasurer ..... Susie Bell Moody, Vilas  
 Adult Leader ..... C. J. Farthing, Boone  
 Senior Leader ..... Mrs. Alma Shoemaker, Balm  
 Intermediate Leader ..... Mrs. Hale Vance, Boone  
 Junior Leader ..... Mrs. Odes Wilson, Zionville  
 Story Hour Leader ..... Mrs. D. L. Wilcox, Boone  
 Group Leaders ..... Miss Ona Farthing, Mrs. Maxie Edmisten,  
 Stella Rogers and Mrs. Blan Clawson

### W. M. U. ORGANIZATION

Superintendent ..... Mrs. D. P. Coffey, Blowing Rock  
 Assistant Superintendent ..... Mrs. Clara Brown, Blowing Rock  
 Secretary-Treasurer ..... Mrs. Don C. Perry, Sherwood  
 Mission Study Chairman ..... Mrs. J. C. Canipe, Boone  
 Stewardship Chairman ..... Mrs. J. L. Qualls, Boone  
 Personal Service Chairman ..... Mrs. S. F. Horton, Sugar Grove  
 Librarian ..... Mrs. B. R. Page, Boone  
 Young People's Leader ..... Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville

### SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

Superintendent ..... C. J. Farthing, Boone  
 Assistant Superintendent ..... }  
 Assistant Supt. for Training ..... } H. R. Eggers, Boone  
 Secretary ..... Elizabeth Page, Boone

Group Superintendent	Cecil Glenn, E. R. Mikeal, I. B. Wilson and Henry Hagaman
Cradle Roll Leader	Mrs. H. W. Wilcox, Boone
Beginners Leader	Mrs. Don Perry, Sherwood
Primary Leader	Mrs. J. C. Canipe, Boone
Junior Leader	Mrs. Tommy Holloway, Shulls Mills
Intermediate Leader	Miss Ella Austin, Boone
Young People's Leader	Mrs. Gladys Gragg, Boone
Adult Leader and Extension	Rev. Roy Dotson, Boone
Vacation Bible Schools	W. M. Gerald, Blowing Rock

### ORDAINED MINISTERS

- BETHANY—James Allen, Rominger; J. T. McGuire, Altapass.  
 BETHEL—E. J. Farthing, Sugar Grove.  
 BLOWING ROCK—W. M. Gerald, James M. Hodges, Blowing Rock.  
 BOONE—Roy Dotson, Tipton Greene and J. C. Canipe, Boone.  
 BRUSHY FORK—Grady Minton, Vilas.  
 COOL SPRINGS—W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock.  
 COVE CREEK—H. K. Middleton, Sherwood.  
 ELK KNOB—Hiram Phillips, Trout; Noah Johnson, Meat Camp.  
 LAUREL SPRINGS—J. L. Greene and W. C. Greene, Laxon.  
 MEAT CAMP—A. E. Moretz, Boone.  
 MIDDLE FORK—J. J. Matney and R. H. Shore, Blowing Rock.  
 MOUNT CALVARY—G. A. Hamby and Roby Painter, Balm.  
 MOUNT LEBANON—T. T. Danner, Valle Crucis; J. R. Shore and Ronda Earp, Vilas.  
 POPLAR GROVE—Clayton Greene, Shulls Mills.  
 RUTHERWOOD—A. B. Church, Boone.  
 SOUTH FORK—Vilas Minton, Todd.  
 STONY FORK—H. H. Smith and T. S. Robbins, Deep Gap.  
 TABERNACLE—N. M. Greene, Boone.  
 THREE FORKS—Raymond Hendrix and B. B. Culler, Boone.  
 UNION—J. R. Trivett, Creston.  
 WILLOWDALE—G. W. Trivett, Vilas.  
 WILLOW VALLEY—D. M. Edmisten, Sugar Grove.



ZION HILL—Tom Stansbery and Lawrence Hagaman, Beech Creek.

ZIONVILLE—R. C. Eggers and Carl Triplett, Zionville.

### LICENTIATES

BETHANY—E. Y. Edmisten, Gold Hicks and A. T. Watson, Rominger.

COOL SPRINGS—Howard Shore, Boone.

LAUREL SPRINGS—Ray Lee Greene, Laxon.

RUTHERWOOD—Willet Moretz, Boone.

TIMBERED RIDGE—Albert Tester, Reese.

**ROLL OF MESSENGERS**

- ANTIOCH—L. W. Ward, M. L. Shepherd, G. A. Edmisten.  
BEAVER DAM—Sanford Creed, Asa Reese, J. S. Snyder.  
BEECH VALLEY—Spencer Phillips, W. S. Harman, Coy Harman.  
BETHANY—Thelma Farthing, James Michael, Victor Farthing.  
BETHEL—Carl Farthing, D. F. Greene, W. W. Wilson.  
BLOWING ROCK—M. C. Johnson, Mrs. J. D. Brown.  
BOONE—Clyde R. Greene, H. W. Wilcox and J. L. Qualls.  
BROOKSIDE—  
BRUSHY FORK—Lee Anderson, Grady Greene, Mrs. Lee Anderson.  
CLARK'S CREEK—Harston Coffey, J. W. Taylor, W. C. Smith.  
COOL SPRINGS—Howard Shore, Q. B. Cannon, M. L. West.  
COVE CREEK—Mrs. D. F. Horton, Mrs. Nora Wilson, Ernest Hillard.  
ELK KNOB—Frank Main, Lloyd Miller, W. C. South.  
FOREST GROVE—Dave Greene, Fred Hagaman, Russell Roark.  
GAP CREEK—Thomas Fairchild, Russell Wellborn, Noah Watson.  
HOWARDS CREEK—L. F. Cottrell, W. L. Brown, Mrs. Homer Lane.  
LAUREL SPRINGS—Stanford Jones, Clifford Ray, Joe Coffey.  
MEAT CAMP—Woodrow Greene, Mrs. John Greene, Mrs. Bessie Greene.  
MIDDLE FORK—Will Hayes, W. T. Vandyke, J. C. Ashley.  
MOUNT CALVARY—W. M. Shoemaker, Richard Smith, E. F. Chapell.  
MOUNTAIN DALE—Collis Greene, Roy Norris, Chas Phillips.  
MOUNT GILEAD—T. M. Younce, Smith Eggers, Geo. Lawrence.  
MOUNT LEBANON—I. N. Minton, S. B. Hayes, Orris Hayes.  
OAK GROVE—L. M. Hodges, Gordon Hodges, Mrs. L. M. Hodges.  
PLEASANT GROVE—I. B. Wilson, A. B. Culler, John Hagaman.

POPLAR GROVE—Geo. Main, Collis Austin, Mrs. H. L. Hodges.

PROFFIT GROVE—J. A. Winebarger, Joe Miller, Arlie Proffit.

RICH MOUNTAIN—L. E. Beach, Martin Moretz, Forace Moretz.

RUTHERWOOD—W. H. Moretz, Mrs. Fred Michael, Virgil Carroll.

SHULLS MILLS—J. B. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hatley.

SOUTH FORK—J. S. Brown, J. L. Miller, E. R. Mikeal.

STONY FORK—Verna Greene, M. F. Greene, Prince Hamby.

TABERNACLE—Mrs. Roxie Brown, B. H. Phillips, Lloyd Stanberry.

THREE FORKS—Lloyd Moretz, Roger Colvard, Walter Edmisten.

TIMBERED RIDGE—E. B. Hagaman, Robert Greene, John Ward.

UNION—R. A. Thomas, Ed. S. Williams, B. M. Grogan.

WILLOWDALE—Cecil Glenn, E. M. Bumgarner, Fred Blair.

WILLOW VALLEY—J. O. Ward, Dillard Greene, Mrs. Geo. Harman.

ZION HILL—M. A. Ward, Gradon Hagaman, Lawrence Hagaman.

ZIONVILLE—N. T. Byers, Curtis May, Maggie Wilson.

## CONSTITUTION

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who, on producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, the ministers being members ex-officio.

2. In the letters from the different churches is to be expressed their numbers in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed by letter, excommunicated and dead since last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any special power over the churches. They shall not infringe any internal right of any church in this Union.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and clerk, who shall be chosen annually by the suffrage of the members present.

5. New churches, or any regular Baptist church of Christ being legally dismissed by letter by any sister Association, upon application and delegates, shall be admitted to our Union.

6. Every church in the Association shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

7. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be once read, and before it is debated the Moderator shall put it to a vote, and if there is a majority for it being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and be debated, but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of their proceedings. The best method of accomplishing this purpose shall be at the direction of the future Associations.

10. We think it is absolutely necessary that we should have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For the raising and supporting of which we think it to be the duty of each church in the Union to contribute annually such sums as they shall think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association. The money thus raised shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer, appointed by the Association, who shall be accountable for the same. He shall pay the money out from time to time as the Association may direct.



11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for his services.

12. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needs be, and signed by the Moderator and the Clerk before the Association rises.

13. Amendments to the plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association when they deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months prior notice.

14. The Association shall have power:

To provide for the general union of the churches.

To endeavor to preserve a chain of union amongst the churches.

To give the churches the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

To appropriate the money contributed by the churches for an Associational fund to any purpose they may think proper.

To have power to withdraw from any church in their Union who shall violate the rules of this Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

To correspond with sister Associations.

To invite any Baptist in the ministry to a seat in the Association, who may be present at the time of their sitting.

To adjourn the Association to any future time and place they may think proper and most convenient to the churches in the Union.

## RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

3. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect upon the person who spoke before him as to make remarks on his steps, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state the matter as he can do so as to give his views or ideas.

4. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

5. No person shall rise and speak more than three times to any one subject without liberty from the Association.

6. No member shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same or whispering in the time of public speaking.

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7. No member shall address another in any other appellation than that of brother.

8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

9. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as required by the Association.

10. Th Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any of the other members, provided the chair be filled. He shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

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**PROCEEDINGS**

of the

**THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

Heid With

**Mount Calvary Baptist Church**

Balm, N. C.

**FIRST DAY**

**Tuesday, August 25th, 1942**

**Morning Session**

1. The Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina met in her One Hundred Second Session with Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Balm, N. C., Tuesday, August 25th, 1942, at 9:30 a.m.

2. The Association was opened by singing "Brethren We Have Met to Worship," led by Gordon Hodges. N. M. Greene offered prayer.

3. The Moderator, S. C. Eggers, called the One Hundred Second Session to order for the transaction of business.

4. G. A. Hamby, pastor of Mount Calvary Church, conducted the opening worship.

5. The Clerk called the roll of churches and 17 answered. All church letters had been received except from Brookside and Mount Lebanon.

6. The Moderator delivered his Annual Address in which he emphasized the Theme of the Session "Into the Highways and Hedges."

7. Wade E. Brown, Chairman of the Executive Committee, reported for the Committee on Order of Business and the report was adopted after it had been amended to change the time from 9:00 A. M. to 9:30 A. M. for the beginning of the Sessions each day.

8. Mrs. L. M. Hodges read the report on Religious Litera-

ture and after motion to adopt it was discussed by G. A. Hamby and J. C. Canipe and was adopted.

### REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

The Bible, the model book, the perfect book, is the best literature known. To know the Bible means a marvelous storehouse of knowledge, written by men inspired of God. We are told that what we read becomes a part of us. Therefore, we suggest that the Bible be read which will enable us to know more and to become more like Jesus.

The Committee also requests our people to read our Baptist literature. We urge parents to see that good, wholesome literature is kept in the home and trashy reading material be not allowed in the hands of their children.

The Baptist Sunday School Board has fine literature for supplementary reading and study, for Sunday School and Training Union helps and for study courses for teaching and training work in our churches. Ample books are also available for W. M. U. training courses. More of our people should read the Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children.

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. Hodges,  
G. A. Hamby.

9. W.D. Ashley presented the report on Temperance and after motion to adopt, he led the discussion. M. A. Adams and John A. Oates continued the discussion. The report was adopted.

10. The Association expressed thanks to Brother Oates for his timely address.

11. A collection amounting to \$22.14 was taken for the United Dry Forces and was given to M. A. Adams.

### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Our God reveals in the 5th and 28th chapters of Isaiah the cause why a so-called godly nation is taken into captivity by a godless nation. "Because the men in authority were mighty to drink wine and strong drink until they were inflamed. They justified the drinking and mingling of strong drink for reward. They took the righteousness of the righteous from him. Therefore saith the Lord, my



people are gone into captivity, because they have no knowledge, they erred in vision and they stumbled in judgment."

What is America doing? Spending billions of dollars to get ready to fight a war across the seas while Public Enemy Number One, the Liquor Traffic, is not only running at large but it is protected by the United States Government. Surely the men who man our ships, planes, tanks, submarines and guns, large and small and those who direct our armed forces on land, in the air and on the sea together with the men who direct the ship of State should all have clear vision, sound judgment and steady nerves at all times.

Food, rubber, gasoline, trucks, cars and man power are all essential to win this war. Why waste any part of this valuable material and why use any of our man power in the manufacture of strong drink which will and does debauch, ruin and wreck not only lives of men and women, but homes as well and also armies and nations. Then, too, this same strong drink will send their souls to hell where the worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched. It is high time that our people from the greatest to the smallest arise from slumber and put out this our greatest enemy.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. Ashley,  
Grady Minon.

12. The Moderator recognized the following visitors: Dr. R. C. Gresham, Colquitt County, Ga. Association; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swift, Rio Grande Valley Association, Texas; J. B. Willis, Pee Dee Association; Judge John A. Oates, New South River Association; Rev. B. R. Page, Brunswick Association; John Arch McMillan, Editor of Charity and Children, Liberty Association; M. A. Adams, United Dry Forces, Alexander Association; Mrs. Don H. Perry, Caldwell Association; Mr. and Mrs. Hoyle Love, South Fork Association; W. C. Phillips, Ethel Harman and S. M. Presnell, Avery Association; Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Rouse, Rev. and Mrs. Joseph J. Grossholty, Mr. and Mrs. Allen S. Wheatcroft, Philadelphia, Pa. and Mrs. A. G. Miller, Deep Gap.

13. Two new churches, Tabernacle, Boone, N. C., R. F. D. 1, and Mountain Dale, Reece, N. C., applied for membership in our Association in the customary manner presenting church letters and delegates. The Moderator appointed a committee composed of J. C. Canipe, W. D. Ashley and R. C. Eggers to report on their request.

14. The Moderator announced the following committees:  
NOMINATIONS: H. W. Wilcox, D. M. Edmisten and R. C. Eggers.

FINANCE: Willard Shoemaker, Gordon Hodges and N. M. Greene.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER: W. C. Smith, Clyde R. Greene and W. W. Wilson.

15. H. K. Middleton, the appointee to preach the Annual Sermon took charge of the service and "We Are Marching to Zion" was sung. R. C. Gresham led in prayer. Brother Middleton read the 18th, 19th and 20th verses of the 28th chapter of Matthew and announced his subject, "We Must Be Baptists." In an inspiring message he outlined some of the outstanding thoughts which should guide us as follows:

1. Jesus saves the full man and all who call on Him.
2. Only submission to the will of God counts. Race, creed, color or wealth are nothing.
3. Baptists must meet the test of the present.
4. Baptists must be true to Christ and His Teachings.
5. Baptists have a message and a mission.
6. The Christ is the supreme authority in a Baptist church.
7. Baptists must retain their faith and practice.
8. Baptists must follow Christ in carrying out the Great Commission. (A) Make disciples, (B) Baptize the believers, (C) Teach them all things.
9. Baptists should face the future with courage.

Brother Middleton closed his message with prayer.

16. The Association adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by Vilas Minton.

#### **Tuesday Afternoon Session**

17. The Association reconvened at 1:15 P. M., Tom Stanberry conducted the devotional service, G. A. Hamby leading prayer.

18. The committee recommended that we admit Tabernacle and Mountain Dale Baptist Churches and the Moderator

extended a welcome to the pastors and delegates from these new churches.

19. Upon motion of Vilas Minton, seconded by J. C. Canipe, a collection was taken for the above new churches amounting to \$33.16 and \$16.58 was given to the pastor of each church.

20. Raymond Hendrix read the report on Missions. Upon motion to adopt it was discussed R. C. Gresham, Joseph J. Grossholty and J. C. Canipe and was adopted.

### Report On Missions

The New Testament states the full and complete missionary program of Jesus in the following words: "He went about all the cities and villages teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing all manner of diseases among the people." This is complete evangelism. This is the gospel for the whole man. This was the missionary program of Jesus. When he left this world He left this program in the hands of His disciples.

Southern Baptists have undertaken in a small way to carry out this program. Every church, every preacher and every Baptist ought to do his best to fulfill this mission on earth. Preaching, teaching, healing, what a program, what a challenge, and how miserably we have failed in our efforts to do it? Yet we have made a beginning. We are now fighting a war and also we talk of peace, yet we have spent more on this war since Pearl Harbor than combined Christendom has spent since the beginning of time to save the world. We did not seem to realize that we have been at war against disease, ignorance and sin in the wonderful missionary program of Jesus, teaching, healing and preaching. Southern Baptists should rise up now and pay all debts, and also train at least ten thousand missionaries to meet the challenge of a disillusioned and all but destroyed world after the war is over. Let us work while it is day for the night cometh when no man can work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Canipe,

Raymond Hendrix.

21. H. K. Middleton offered the report on Christian Training which was adopted after being discussed by D. M. Edmisten, J. B. Willis, Hamlet, N. C., and John A. Oates, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Wake Forest College.

## Report On Christian Training

The main word in Christ's commission to His disciples is TEACH. This word is a direct command to all who profess to be followers of Christ. To state it another way, "Each one of us is to be an angel of LIGHT." Thus we are bound by the Master's own words, in our program of Christian Training.

Truly we can see that the need of Christian Training is now exceedingly great. With all the opportunities there are before us and the numerous obligations thrust upon us, we must strive to be experts in the field of Christian Training and practice. For the world, whenever it shall be brought again to its senses, must be brought by the forces of Christ.

We have adequate organizations for carrying out our Master's program. But as yet too many of our people consider our Christian work just theory, or as a plaything. Our first business is to live our convictions so closely and devotedly that everyone may see the reality of the Christian life.

If our efforts are to be most beneficial and conducive to Christian growth we must be bolstered by the earnest cooperation of every home. The home should be the bulwark of our entire program of Christian Training. Around the family altar every individual should get the first impression of God. The tragedy of the matter is that many parents do not even claim to know God.

It is the earnest desire of this committee that this shall be more than reading and adoption of another report on Christian Training. Rather, we urge that all of us, regardless of what any other individual may do, shall do all we can to bring about a world community with Christ at the center of EVERY LIFE.

Respectfully submitted,

H. K. Middleton,

M. D. Edmisten.

22. The report on Sunday Schools was read by H. K. Middleton. After motion to adopt it was discussed by Clyde R. Greene and C. J. Farthing and adopted.

## Report On Sunday Schools

In the international status of the world today, we are beginning to realize the difference between the efficiency of the man or woman who is prepared for the work he or she is doing and the person who



is unprepared. So, it is with the Sunday Schools of the Three Forks Association and other associations as well. Trained teachers and officers are an important asset to any Sunday School.

Every individual on whom is placed responsibility in any phase of Sunday School work has a great responsibility in leading those who are looking for leadership as well as reaching the uninterested group. Most young people have had educational advantages which require us to be more alert and more interesting in our leadership. They know what is good and what is bad and if we are going to succeed we must give them the right things through our Sunday Schools in a manner which will be lasting and helpful to them.

In order to meet the challenge of the Sunday School today it behooves all of us to be more conscientious and devout in our everyday living, understand the importance of our task, make the necessary preparation, and, last but not least, depend upon Divine guidance, which if depended upon, will cause right to prevail regardless of the evil influences which may exert themselves against us.

Respectfully submitted,

Ralph Reshears.

23. John Arch McMillan, Editor of *Charity and Children*, spoke on the work at Mills Home.

24. The Association adjourned, benediction by B. R. Page.

### Night Session

25. After singing several songs, J. C. Canipe led in prayer.

26. J. C. Canipe discussed the subject, "Aims for All Our Churches."

27. N. M. Greene, Chairman of Promotion Committee, requested that the roll of churches be called and 19 were represented. The information as given in the church letters and shown on the charts was discussed by representatives for each church present.

28. N. M. Greene in an inspiring message emphasized the need for each church to set a goal in all her work for next year.

29. The Session adjourned, benediction by G. A. Hamby.

## SECOND DAY

### Wednesday Morning

30. The Moderator called the Association to order at 9:30 A. M. After singing, "Jesus Paid It All", R. C. Eggers led the opening worship.

31. N. M. Greene, Associational Missionary, offered his report and discussed it. The report was adopted.

### Report of Associational Missionary

During the past year I have visited thirty churches and have also visited more than 700 homes. In doing this I have traveled ten thousands miles. I have conducted 6 revivals which resulted in 43 conversions and 38 additions to the churches. I have constituted two new churches; Mountain Dale and Tabernacle. The following amounts have been received for my work:

Missionary Work .....	67.00	
Revival Work .....	100.00	
Pastoral Work .....	157.00	324.00

Of this amount I have given back to the work in building new churches \$150.00.

Respectfully submitted,

N. M. Greene.

32. C. J. Farthing read the report on Obituaries. J. C. Canipe offered prayer in memory of our departed members.

33. The Association instructed the Clerk to place in the minutes a picture and short biography of Eller McNeil of Laurel Springs, A. J. Greene of Willowdale and a biography of John S. Reed of Shulls Mills.

34. The report on Woman's Work was presented by Mrs. J. C. Canipe who lead the discussion. J. C. Canipe and Mrs. D. F. Horton continued the discussion and the report was adopted.

### Report on Woman's Work

"Laborers together with God" is the perpetual watchword of the W. M. U. The annual watchword for 1942 is found in Psalm 43:3, "Oh send out thy light and thy truth, let them lead me, let them bring me unto thy Holy Hill to thy tabernacle." It is as though the

Psalms 119:105 prayed, oh, send thy light into my heart that I may act as one who has the light. In a broader sense it is a fervent prayer for missions. The hymn for the year is, "The Light of the World is Jesus."

We have six chief aims of the Missionary Union; Prayer, Personal Service, which includes soul winning and ministry to others, enlistment, study of the Bible and world missions, tithes and offerings and missionary education of our young people.

The Annual Meeting was held with Cove Creek Church in May. I hereby submit the report of Mrs. D. P. Coffey, our Superintendent; 10 W. M. S.; 12 Young People's Organizations; the W. M. U. gave \$614.82, Y. W. A. \$20.65; G. A. \$16.20, R. A. \$19.04 and the S. B. \$3.27, a total of \$673.98.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. J. C. Canipe.

35. Wade E. Brown read the report of the Executive Committee. After discussion by Wade E. Brown and C. J. Farthing the report was adopted.

### Report of Executive Committee

Your Executive Committee met three times during the past year. Our first meeting was held to prepare a program for this Session of the Association; the second to make plans for the Spring Session of the Association and the last one to make recommendations to the Associations. We recommend the following for your consideration:

1. As has been done on previous occasions, it is recommended that all our churches take the once-a-month collection for the Orphanage and send it in, whether it be much or little.
2. Rather than the annual plan of calling a pastor it is recommended that the pastor be called for such a period of time as the church is satisfied with the pastor and the church is satisfactory to the pastor.
3. That each church of the Association adopt the policy of discouraging the inviting of preachers or others not members of the congregation to fill the pulpit without the approval of either the pastor or the Board of Deacons of the church.
4. It is recommended that the Spring Session be continued and that it be made a permanent plan of our Association.
5. The churches are seriously urged to make every reasonable effort possible to pay off all existing debts and to make such improvements as are needed and otherwise adopt and adhere to a sound financial policy by adopting a budget and putting on an every

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member canvass against the day when financial conditions may be less favorable and the opportunity of missions may be greatly enlarged.

Respectfully submitted,

Executive Committee.

36. The report on Associational Progress was presented by Wade E. Brown who discussed the report and it was adopted.

**Report On Associational Progress**

	1940-41	1941-42	Gain	Loss	Aims
Membership	6292	6332	40	....	160
Baptisms	243	180	....	83	200
Sunday Schools	4605	5038	433	....	1000
Baptist Training Unions	842	748	....	94	350
Woman's Missionary Union	459	407	....	52	100
Local Contributions	30239.69	33727.55	3487.86	....	37000
Missions and Benevolences	4153.08	6209.99	2056.91	....	8000
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>34392.77</b>	<b>39937.54</b>	<b>5444.77</b>	....	<b>45000</b>

This year 38 of the 40 churches of our Association gave \$3353.10 to the Orphanage, a gain of \$1167.23. Our goal for next year is 40 churches giving \$4000.00. This year 36 churches gave \$548.85 to the Hospital. Our goal for next year is 40 churches giving \$900.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Wade E. Brown.

37. Election of officers being the next order of business, nominations were called for. The following were unanimously elected:

Moderator .....	S. C. Eggers
Vice Moderator .....	Wade E. Brown
Clerk-Treasurer .....	Clyde R. Greene
Historian .....	Doughton Green
Song Leader .....	Gordon Hodges
Missionary .....	N. M. Greene

38. At the 1941 Session the following amendment to our Constitution was offered: "After the word Moderator in section four the words Vice Moderator' be added." This amendment was adopted without opposition.



39. R. C. Eggers read the report of the Committee on Nominations and the report was adopted as read. This report will be found in the Associational Directory.

40. The Association adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by Tom Stanberry.

#### NOON RECESS

41. The Association reconvened at 1:20 P. M., W. C. Payne conducted the devotional service.

42. Vilas Minton presented the report on Benevolences. After motion to adopt it was discussed by Vilas Minton, Smith Hagaman and J. S. Brown and was adopted.

#### Report on Benevolences

In our benevolent work we have the Orphanage, the Hospital and Old Ministers' Relief. Since the founding of the Baptist Orphanage a Thomasville, N. C. in 1885 hundreds of boys and girls have gone out from that Home into active service in the Kingdom of God. May we as Missionary Baptists open our hearts to help other homeless, fatherless and motherless children who will come to this great institution by making a once-a-month offering.

We are glad to note in the work of our Hospital at Winston-Salem that the Mothers' Day offering increased this year. The Hospital gave in free services in 1941 \$92,000. There will be at least 2700 patients this year who cannot pay a hospital bill. Our Superintendent tells that there will be 7000 patients who will be treated this year. The war is creating additional burdens for the Hospital, and in order to meet the needs we are asking the churches of this Association to increase your gifts.

Also in our benevolent work our Relief and Annuity Board helps the old retired servants of God who have no other provisions for support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Vilas Minton,  
Ronda Earp.

43. J. C. Pipes, who is with the Baptist State Mission, discussed the Board's efforts to put new and additional emphasis on evangelism in North Carolina during this year in accordance with plan adopted at the last Baptist State Convention held at Asheville. He also reminded us of our obligation as a denomination to the members of the armed forces of our country who are now training in North Carolina.

44. M. H. Kendall from Mars Hill College, spoke briefly on Christian Education.

45. The following Treasurer's Report was read by Clyde R. Greene and was adopted:

**Report of Treasurer**

Receipts .....		
Balance .....	2.96	
Minute Fund .....	102.77	
W. M. U. ....	10.80	
United Dry Forces .....	18.58	
Total Receipts .....		\$135.11
Disbursements		
Minutes .....	95.18	
Clerk .....	20.00	
United Dry Forces .....	18.58	
Postage .....	2.02	
Programs .....	3.00	
Total Disbursements .....		\$138.78
Overdraft .....		\$3.67

Respectfully submitted,

Clyde R. Greene.

46. N. M. Greene read the report of the Finance Committee which was adopted.

**Report of Finance Committee**

Received for Minute Fund .....	\$129.36
Paid to Treasurer .....	\$129.36

Respectfully submitted,

N. M. Greene,  
W. H. Shoemaker,  
W. G. Hodges.

47. The report on Resolutions was presented by N. M. Greene and was adopted.

**Report On Resolutions**

WHEREAS the One Hundred Second Session of the Three Forks Association has been one of the best in recent years, and

MINUTES OF THE THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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WHEREAS the Balm Church and Community have contributed very materially to this success, now therefore be it resolved:

1. That we express our deepest gratitude to Mount Calvary Church and community for their generous hospitality to the delegates and visitors at this Session of our Association;

2. We express to the officers of the Association our thanks for their faithfulness during the year.

3. That we are mindful of the good work done by the Executive Committee in preparing the program for this Session;

4. That we are indebted to our Associational Missionary for his untiring services and loyal devotion during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Canipe,  
N. M. Greene.

48. Clyde R. Greene offered the following report on Time, Place and Preacher

TIME—Tuesday and Wednesday, after the fourth Sunday in August, 1943.

PLACE—Clark's Creek Church, Valle Crucis, N. C.

PREACHER—Vilas Minton.

ALTERNATE—W. M. Gerald.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Smith,  
W. W. Wilson,  
Clyde R. Greene.

49. The Clerk was directed to have the minutes printed and distributed to the churches and he is allowed \$20.00 for this work.

50. The Clerk read the minutes and they were adopted.

51. J. C. Canipe brought a fitting message to close the One Hundred Second Session of the Three Forks Association. The Association adjourned, benediction by J. C. Canipe.

S. C. Eggers, Moderator,  
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk.

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**PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPRING SESSION**

**THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

**Held With Timbered Ridge Church**

**May 1, 1942**

1. The Three Forks Baptist Association met in Special Session with Timbered Ridge Baptist Church May 1, 1943 at 10:00 A. M.

2. T. C. Tester led the opening song service and N. M. Greene led in prayer.

3. The Moderator, S. C. Eggers, called the Special Session to order and R. C. Eggers conducted the devotional.

4. Wade E. Brown presented the program for the Session and introduced W. M. Gerald, Pastor at Blowing Rock, who discussed the subject, "Bible Study in the Christian Life".

5. H. K. Middleton, pastor Cove Creek Church, presented the subject, "The Christian Life in the World Today."

6. A roll call revealed that 31 churches were represented by messengers or pastors.

7. At this time N. M. Greene, Pastor of Timbered Ridge Church, was recognized and he took charge of the service of dedication of the church. After remarks concerning the work recently finished on the church he requested T. C. Tester to read the scripture. Gordon Hodges led the congregation in singing, "Jesus Paid It All", and Tipton Greene, a former pastor, led in prayer. J. C. Canipe read a part of the 5th chapter of Eph. and delivered a forceful message on the subject, "The Place of the Church in the Christian Life."

8. Adjourned for noon recess, benediction by J. C. Canipe.

**AFTERNOON SESSION**

9. The Session reconvened at 1:30 P. M. Ronda Earp conducted the devotional service. W. C. Payne led in prayer.

10. J. C. Canipe presented Winfred Covington, Miss Kath-



leen Vestal and Margie McGhee who presented a young people's program. They are all students in the Appalachian State Teachers' College at Boone, N. C.

11. A collection amounting to \$12.11 was taken for Beech Valley Church and was turned over to D. M. Edmisten, pastor

12. Upon motion of Clyde R. Greene the Association voted to express thanks to Timbered Ridge Church for her hospitality in entertaining the Special Session.

13. Wade E. Brown, Chairman of the Executive Committee, spoke briefly concerning the work of the Committee.

14. Smith Hagaman, Superintendent of the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem, delivered a stirring message on the subject, "Prayer in the Christian Life."

15. The Special Session closed with prayer by W. D. Ashley.

S. C. Eggers, Moderator,  
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk.

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DEDICATED TO

The Members Who Have Passed To The Great Beyond  
Since Our Last Session.

ANTIOCH

Elder W. H. Glenn  
Mrs. Della Warren  
Mrs. Bettie Hicks

BETHEL—

Elder L. C. Wilson  
Mrs. Mary Cook

BOONE—

Mrs. H. P. Dougherty  
Mrs. J. S. Winkler  
Mrs. Chapel Wilson

BEAVER DAM—

Mrs. Jane Swift  
Mrs. Nora Wilson

BLOWING ROCK—

Mrs. Mack Johnson

COOL SPRINGS—

Mr. Dean Payne  
Mr. Eugene Pearson

ELK KNOB—

Mrs. Catherine Phillips

GAP CREEK—

Mr. Lee Miller

HOWARDS CREEK—

Mrs. Clint Norris

LAUREL SPRINGS—

Mr. Eller McNeil  
Mr. Leander Greene

MEAT CAMP—

Deacon Manley Greene  
Deacon L. A. Greene  
Mr. W. M. McGuire  
Mrs. Faye Ragan

MOUNT LEBANON—

Mr. Millard McGuire

OAK GROVE—

Mr. Adam Hodges  
Mr. Dwight Gilley  
Mrs. Julia Hodges

PLEASANT GROVE—

Mr. John Eggers  
Mr. Will Lawrence  
Mr. Clarence Wilson  
Mrs. Wilda Wilson

POPLAR GROVE—

Mr. Noah Winkler

SOUTH FORK—

Mrs. Jennie Blackburn

SHULLS MILLS—

Deacon J. S. Reed  
Mrs. Pansy Storie

STONY FORK—

Mr. Jacob Michael

THREE FORKS—

Miss Julia Parker

TIMBERED RIDGE—

Mrs. J. W. McGuire

UNION—

Mrs. Etta Greer  
Mrs. Eliazbeth Greer

WILLOWDALE—

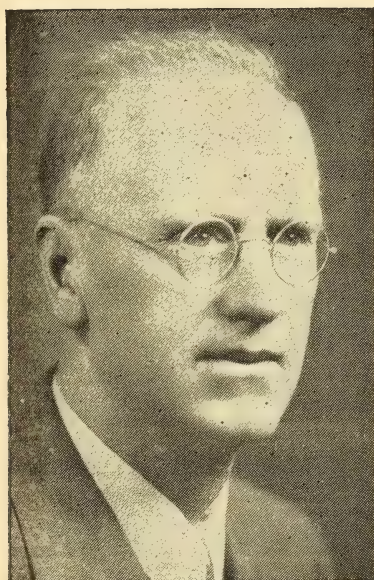
Elder A. J. Greene

WILLOW VALLEY—

Mrs. Ella Johnson

ZIONVILLE—

Mrs. Sarah Grogan.



**A. J. Greene**

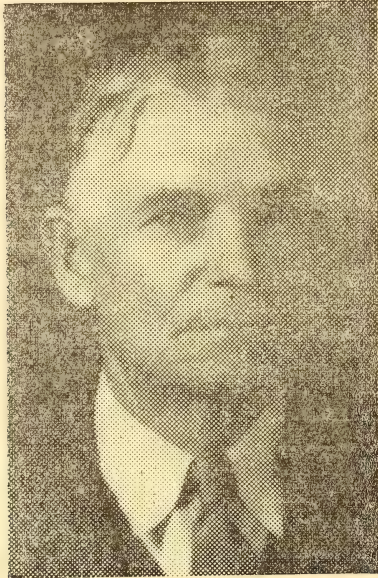
Andrew Jackson Greene was born March 2, 1883 at Mabel, Watauga County, N. C. He was the son of Hiram Greene and Elizabeth Lawrence Greene. He received his early education in the public schools of Watauga County, later he attended the Appalachian Training School and finished his education at Wake Forest College.

Brother Greene taught in the county schools for many years before joining the faculty of Appalachian State Teachers College in 1913 as English instructor. He held this position until his retirement in 1941.

He was an active force in the Three Forks Association for many years doing much to improve the Sunday Schools through his efforts in securing better trained teachers. He was largely responsible for the Fifth Sunday Meetings which were held in the Association for several years. He was also historian of the Association and prepared the history of the Association used at the One-Hundredth Session in 1940 and which is printed in the minutes of that session.

Brother Greene was ordained as a minister in 1921, but was forced to retire from that field because of bad health. He was Superintendent of the Sunday School at both Union and Willowdale churches and taught the Bible Class until his death. On August 12, 1942, our brother passed to the Great Beyond, leaving us saddened but rejoicing in his Opportunity.

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### **Eller McNeil**

Eller McNeil was born in Wilkes County, N. C., June 13th, 1879, and died February 9, 1942. He moved to Watauga County when a young man. He married Miss Belle Ragan and established his home at Rutherwood, N. C., where he conducted a general store for many years. He made the principles of Christ the ruling influence of his life and business.

Brother McNeil joined Laurel Springs Baptist Church December 5, 1889, and was always ready and willing to help carry his part in all church and community work. In his death mankind lost a great friend who cannot soon be replaced.

D. B. Wagner,  
E. B. Hardin,  
W. C. Greene, Committee.

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### John Samuel Reed

John Samuel Reed was born August 3, 1855, and died June 14, 1942. He professed faith in Christ at an early age and united with the Baptist Church of which he remained a faithful member until death. He was a charter member of Shulls Mills Baptist Church coming by letter from Watauga Church. He was a deacon for years.

On September 30, 1875, he married Ellen Elizabeth Wood who died January 17, 1941. To this union were born four children, three of whom preceded him in death. J. B. Reed, a son, is still living.

Brother Reed was always at Church and Sunday School as long as his health permitted and was ready to aid any worthy work in the interest of church or community. He cared not for public life, but was content to devote his time to home and family.

He lived in the State of Missouri for several years in early life. He then returned to Shulls Mills and settled on Lance's Creek where he lived at death. He was respected by all who knew him and will live in the memory of his many friends as well as his relatives.

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## PROCEEDINGS OF THE

### THREE FORKS WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Baptist Association met in its Twenty-Ninth Annual Session with Cove Creek Baptist Church, May 21, 1942.

The Session opened by singing, "The Light of the World Is Jesus," the W. M. U. hymn of the year. The W. M. U. Watchword, "O Send Out the Light and the Truth" was repeated in unison. Mrs. D. F. Horton conducted the devotional using John 8:12, John 9:4-5 and Matthew 28:18-20 as a basis for her talk and ended with a solo, "I Would Not Live Alone".

Greetings were extended by Mrs. H. K. Middleton and response by Mrs. B. R. Page after which Miss Ruby Daniels led in prayer.

The Personal Service report was made by the chairman, Mrs. S. F. Horton. She said the success of a church organization or individual was determined by the amount of personal service done. She stressed the fact that the need for personal service was greater today than ever before and that we could show our love for Christ by our lives and by our verbal expressions in winning the lost to Him.

A solo, "Thy Word Have I Hid in My Heart," was rendered by H. K. Middleton. W. M. Gerald gave a talk on "Holding forth Christ by Christ dwelling in us, by witnessing for him holding forth Christ we hold forth the word of life and we hold forth Christ by Christ dwelling in us, by witnessing for him in our homes, churches and communities and by coming together and worshipping Him.

To the roll call the following societies answered with the number of delegates: Boone 6, Blowing Rock 9, Cove Creek 27, Meat Camp 3, Poplar Grove 5, Stony Fork 8, Willow Valley 5, Oak Grove 2, and Zion Hill 8. This was followed by a report from each society.

The Superintendent recognized the following pastors of

the Association and visitors: H. K. Middleton, Vilas Minton, W. D. Ashley, Dwight Edmisten, W. M. Gerald, E. C. Hodges, Mrs. Rose Fuller, Miss Margaret Dougherty, Mrs. Jim Brown and Miss Ruby Daniels, returned missionary from Hungary.

In the absence of the Librarian, Mrs. B. R. Page read the report. It was noted that we now have 705 books in the W. M. U. Associational Library which is located in the Boone Baptist Church. We have there the Bible, Bible stories, books on great men and women, books on how better to live the Christian life and on church membership, mission study books, books helpful on all walks of the Christian life and books for children. She ended by asking all of us to read more good books from our library.

The Treasurer made the following report:

Balance May 23, 1941 .....	\$ 3.92
Received for Minute and expense fund .....	12.09
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Paid for printing Minutes .....	10.80
Paid for postage .....	.31
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Balance cash on hand .....	\$4.90

The Superintendent reported 10 societies and 12 young people's organizations in the Association; also 38 miles traveled and 137 letters written in the interest of W. M. U. work and one new society organized.

The following committees were appointed by the Superintendent:

NOMINATIONS—Mrs. J. L. Qualls, Mrs. Kate Brown, Mrs. D. M. Edmisten and Mrs. Hattie Lewis.

RECOMMENDATIONS—Mrs. B. R. Page, Mrs. H. R. Eggers and Mrs. S. C. Eggers.

RESOLUTIONS—Mrs. W. M. Gerald and Mrs. Fred Hartley.

OBITUARIES—Mrs. T. L. Cook and Mrs. Mae Miller.

TIME AND PLACE—Mrs. Bessie Greene and Mrs. Ethel Hodges.

Mrs. D. P. Coffey tendered her resignation as superintendent.

The inspirational message of the morning was brought by Miss Ruby Daniels on "Light Bearing in Hungary". After reading Isaiah 40:29-31 and 42:16 she told of the countries of Europe, Italy, Spain, Hungary, Roumania, and Jugoslavia, in which Southern Baptists have worked since 1920. In Hungary we have a Girls' School Seminary and Orphanage. The Girls' School is supported entirely by the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Hungary is now overshadowed by economic depression, lack of food and clothing, and persecution because of religion. But Hungarian Baptists are keeping their eyes on our Father and He will keep them for Himself.

The morning session closed with prayer by H. K. Middleton.

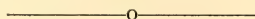
### Afternoon Session

The afternoon session was opened by singing "Send the Light". Miss Helen Wilcox led in the devotional, reading 2nd Timothy 4:6-8 and in ending her remarks said that there is a crown for every one who will try and work and fight for the Christian life, following which Mrs. H. R. Eggers led in prayer.

The business session was presided over by Miss Daniels.

The report on Nominations was read by Mrs. J. L. Qualls and was adopted.

Superintendent .....	Mrs. D. P. Coffey
Assistant Superintendent .....	Mrs. Clara Brown
Secretary-Treasurer .....	Mrs. Don C. Perry
Mission Study Chairman .....	Mrs. J. C. Canipe
Stewardship Chairman .....	Mrs. J. L. Qualls
Personal Service Chairman .....	Mrs. S. F. Horton
Librarian .....	Mrs. B. R. Page
Young Peoples' Leader.....	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson



The following report on Recommendations was read by Mrs. B. R. Page and was adopted.



## Recommendations

In order to do our Watchword for this year requests, "O send out thy light and thy truth," Psalm 43:3, and because, as our hymn says, "The Light of the World Is Jesus," we believe the very best way for us to help to give the light to the benighted souls of our world would be for each Woman's Missionary Society to follow very closely the "Chief Aims" as laid down in our 1942 W. M. U. Year Book, which are, in part, as follows:

1. Prayer for Peace, Individual and United. "Men ought always to pray and not to faint," said Jesus to His disciples in Luke 16:1. Observe special seasons of prayer for State, Home and Foreign Missions.

2. Enlistment, Larger Membership in Service. "Go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in," Luke 14:23.

3. Study the Missionary Message of the Bible and World Missions.

4. Personal Service, Individual and Directed Soul Winning, Christian Fellowship, Christian Service to Win Souls for God's Kingdom.

5. Tithes and Offerings, Stewardship, Contributions as we are prospered to the cause of our Redeemer, as laid down in His word, "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me?" Malachai 3:8.

6. Missionary Education of our Young People in Bible Study, wider circulation of our Missionary Literature, "World Comrades," "Window of Y. W. A.," Missionary books, state camps, house parties, Southwide Y. W. A. camps, and Mission Study Courses given regularly. Remember the wise man said, "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6.

We, furthermore, insist on a deeper devotion to God, making our programs more real to each member of our Societies, and we also insist that each society promote the Hundred Thousand Club as a sign of our loyalty to our denomination and to the cause of our great, kind and merciful Heavenly Father. Again, let us beg that each one pray constantly and earnestly for our country and its leaders; also pray that we may have pardon and protection and both physical and spiritual world wide peace.

We must believe that the effectual, fervent prayer of the righteous availeth much and that Jesus was not joking when He said, "Ask and it shall be opened unto you." Matthew 7:7.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. B. R. PAGE

MRS. H. R. EGGERS

MRS. S. C. EGGERS.

The Report on Resolutions was read by Mrs. W. M. Gerald and was adopted.

### Resolutions

We, the members of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Baptist Association who have met in this our Twenty-Ninth Annual Session, do thank our Heavenly Father for the spirit of Christian fellowship that has been so manifest in our midst today, therefore, be it resolved:

1. That as we share the gracious hospitality of our sisters in Christ of Cove Creek Baptist Church, may our efforts and prayers be united in behalf of lost humanity wherever found.

2. That our officials, Associational and State, are to be commended for their work during the year and for the fine program today.

3. That in these trying days which are upon us there is no place for complacency in our spiritual lives.

4. That we may be willing for God to use us for His glory and allow Him to lead and direct our lives as we face the tasks of the coming year.

5. That by a rising vote we express to Mrs. D. P. Coffey our appreciation of her time, effort and ability which she has so fully given during these years of service.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. M. GERALD  
MRS. FERD HARTLEY.

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The report on Time and Place was made by Mrs. Bessie Greene and was adopted.

Time—May 1943.

Place—Zion Hill and Willow Valley W. M. S. at Zion Hill Baptist Church.

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The report on Obituaries was read by Mrs. Mae Miller and was adopted.

### In Memoriam

"Blessed are they that die in the Lord from henceforth, saith the Spirit; that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow after them."

Boone W. M. S.—Mrs. Chapell Wilson, Mrs. Joe Winkler.

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Respectfully submitted,  
MRS. MAE MILLER  
MRS. LEN COOK.

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The program presented by the Young People's Organizations and their leaders was in charge of Mrs. Herman Wilcox. Mrs. Don C. Perry made the report for all organizations of Cove Creek, mentioning especially that the Intermediate R. A., Jr. G. A., Jr. R. A. and Sunbeam Band were A-1 for 1941. From Boone organizations, Ruth Tatum spoke for Jr. G. A., Mrs. B. R. Page for Jr. R. A. and Helen Wilcox for Y. W. A. A poem "The Good Enough Boy," was given by Billy Blackburn and a poem, "God Give Us Men," was given by Eugene Blackburn. Glenn Wallace Wilcox was recognized as Ambassador-in-Chief of Jr. R. A.

An offering was taken for the printing of the minutes which amounted to \$6.09.

The Superintendent made a few remarks stressing the importance of personal service and the fact that we need to get back to God.

In her talk, "Sunbeams Shining for Him", Miss Thelma Perry said if Sunbeams were trained in Bible Study, Prayer, Giving and Personal Service while small, when they were old they would not depart from it.

Mrs. B. R. Page in speaking on, "Girls Sending the Light", emphasized the need of teaching them to "Rise and shine for their own light is come," after which the G. A.'s stood and sang one verse of "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations."

In presenting his subject, "R. A.'s Holding High the Torch", H. K. Middleton urged that we help the R. A.'s to turn their energy to work for Christ.

Miss Ruth Miller in her talk, "Y. W. A. Turning Many To Righteousness", said that many could be turned to righteousness by prayer, Bible study programs, mission study and Christian fellowship.

At Miss Daniel's request it was voted to furnish one bed room in the Girls' School in Hungary whenever Miss Daniels has the opportunity to return there.

Miss Daniels sang one verse of "More Love to Thee, O Christ" in Hungarian after which the session was dismissed with prayer by Mrs. D. F. Horton.

Mrs. Don C. Perry, Secretary.

Mrs. D. P. Coffey, Supt.,



# Statistical Tables

TABLE ONE — CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Village, Town, City or Country	When Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP										Obs. Lords Supper	No. Rec. Bapt. Paper		
				GAINS					LOSSES							Weekly Prayer Meets.	Reverals Held, Year
				Mem. Last Year	Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths	Tot Present Members				
Antioch.....		1849	W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock.....	1	204	1	10	1	1	1	4	190	2	2	2	...	
Beaver Dam.....		1874	W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock.....	1	229	2	2	2	2	2	2	211	1	2	1	2	...
Beech Valley.....		1941	Lawrence Hagaman Beech Creek.....	2	36	10	7	1	1	1	1	52	1	1	1	1	5
Bethany.....		1895	W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock.....	3	136	4	1	1	1	1	1	136	1	1	1	1	1
Bethel.....		1851	W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock.....	4	294	3	2	1	1	1	2	269	1	2	1	2	1
Blowing Rock.....		1903	W. M. Gerald, Blowing Rock.....	All	190	3	2	2	2	2	1	192	*	2	4	32	2
Boone.....		1870	J. C. Canipe, Boone.....	All	651	15	32	17	17	17	3	678	*	2	4	32	2
Brookside.....		1932	J. J. Matney, Blowing Rock.....	2	128	2	3	8	8	8	125	30	1	2	4	4	4
Brushy Fork.....		1858	Grady Minton, Vilas.....	4	53	6	5	5	5	5	58	1	2	1	2	1	2
Clark's Creek.....		1898	Carl Triplett, Zionville.....	4	118	6	5	5	5	5	121	*	1	2	1	2	1
Cool Springs.....		1888	Tipton Greene, Boone.....	4	118	6	5	5	5	5	121	*	1	2	1	2	1
Cove Creek.....		1799	H. K. Middleton, Sherwood.....	All	228	5	3	2	2	2	234	*	1	2	1	2	10
Elk Knob.....		1890	Kene Roark, Creston.....	1	84	4	1	1	1	1	87	1	1	1	1	1	1
Forest Grove.....		1889	R. C. Eggers, Zionville.....	3	144	3	2	1	3	3	143	*	1	2	1	2	1
Gap Creek.....		1882	Raymond Hendrix, Boone.....	1	128	1	1	1	1	1	122	*	1	1	1	1	8
Howards Creek.....		1882	W. J. Cook, Boone.....	4	168	2	6	8	6	8	155	*	1	2	1	2	1
Laurel Springs.....		1873	R. C. Eggers, Zionville.....	2	215	1	3	1	4	4	214	*	1	2	1	2	1
Meat Camp.....		1851	Vilas Minton, Todd.....	4	147	1	2	1	8	8	187	1	2	1	2	1	2
Middle Fork.....		1805	Raymond Hendrix, Boone.....	2	143	1	1	1	12	12	132	*	1	2	1	2	1
Mount Calvary.....		1880	G. A. Hamby, Balm.....	1	216	1	3	3	3	3	213	*	2	1	1	6	2
Mountain Dale.....		1941	Ronda Earp, Vilas.....	2	9	31	3	1	1	1	40	*	2	1	1	1	1
Mount Gillead.....		1869	Tom Stanbery, Beech Creek.....	1	114	11	1	1	18	1	109	*	1	2	1	2	1
Mount Lebanon.....		1891	Carl Triplett, Zionville.....	4	216	7	5	1	2	2	226	*	1	2	1	2	1
Cak Grove.....		1916	G. A. Hamby, Balm.....	2	193	1	1	1	4	9	184	*	2	2	2	2	2
Pleasant Grove.....		1891	G. W. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro.....	2	260	1	1	1	12	12	246	*	1	2	1	2	2
Poplar Grove.....		1872	R. C. Eggers, Zionville.....	1	102	1	2	1	2	3	97	*	1	1	1	2	1
Profit Grove.....		1921	J. L. Greene, Deep Gap.....	4	129	3	1	1	1	1	133	*	1	1	1	1	1
Rich Mountain.....		1905	B. E. Culler, Boone.....	2	78	1	1	1	1	1	76	*	1	2	1	2	1
Rutherford.....		1838	W. J. Cook, Boone.....	3	97	2	6	1	2	2	104	*	2	2	2	2	2
Shulls Mills.....		1888	Raymond Hendrix, Boone.....	4	120	1	5	5	5	5	113	*	2	1	1	2	2
Stony Fork.....		1833	Vilas Minton, Todd.....	2	158	12	4	1	6	1	166	*	2	2	2	2	2
Stony Fork.....		1841	W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock.....	2	191	2	1	1	3	1	188	*	1	1	1	1	1
Tabernacle.....		1941	N. M. Greene, Boone.....	2	16	1	1	1	1	1	17	*	1	1	1	1	1
Three Forks.....		1790	Raymond Hendrix, Boone.....	3	111	1	4	4	4	4	106	*	1	1	1	2	1
Timbered Ridge.....		1906	N. M. Greene, Boone.....	1	128	9	8	4	4	4	140	*	1	1	1	2	1
Union.....		1885	W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock.....	1	264	24	7	3	3	3	290	*	1	1	1	2	1
Willowdale.....		1911	W. C. Watts, Blowing Rock.....	4	24	7	6	5	5	5	29	*	1	1	1	2	1

CHURCHES

SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES

Church	Supervisor	Cradle Roll, Und	Beginners, 3-5 Y	Primaries, 6-8 Y	Juniors, 9-12 Yea	Intermediates, 13	Young People, 1	Adults, 25 and U	Extension Dept.	Gen., Dept. Office	Have You Mission	Enrollment Mis.	Tot. Enrollment, Tickers, Teachers,	What is Av. Att.	Baptisms from S	Is School Graded	Is It Standard A	Teachers Holding	Enrollment Vac.	Av. Att. Vac. Scl
Antioch.....	Doughton Greene, Sugar Grove.....	5	7	14	18	24	7	5	6	6			62	54						
Beaver Dam.....	Dean Reese, Trade, Tenn.....	20	12	12	24	35	40						143	102	1					
Beech Valley.....	George M. Harmon, Beech Creek.....	10	12		9	10	18		8				67	47						
Bethany.....	M. P. Ward, Balm.....	14		11		11	19		7				70	53						
Bethel.....	Carl Farthing, Sugar Grove.....	30	25	30	20	50	75						230	98	3					
Blowing Rock.....	Kent Brown, Blowing Rock.....	19	19	49	52	59	200	102	100	7			607	230	10	*		20	50	50
Boone.....	Bernard Dougherty, Boone.....	6	6	6	12	5	6	25		5			71	30						
Brookside.....	Ralph Hayes, Vilas.....	4	20	15	12	15	22	40		9			137	92	2					
Brushy Fork.....	W. C. Smith, Banner Elk.....		8		7		16	23					54	40						
Clark's Creek.....	Howard Shore, Boone.....												67	50						
Cool Springs.....	Mrs. S. F. Horton, Sugar Grove.....	17	13	16	36	25	32	88					227	86	5	*			63	55
Cove Creek.....	Frank Main Tamarack.....	10	14	18	11	34	14			6			94	60	4					
Elk Knob.....	J. G. Johnson, Reese.....	7	10	12	15	22	35						101	65						
Forest Grove.....	H. E. Greene, Deep Gap.....	12	10	11	23	20	20						96	55						
Gap Creek.....	D. W. Cook, Boone.....		14	16	10	14	15			6			75	55		*				
Howards Creek.....	D. B. Wagner, Boone.....	5	10	5	15	25	40	35	10	18			163	89	1					
Laurel Springs.....	Verne Greene, Zionville.....	10	7	6	12	18	28	31					112	60						
Meat Camp.....	H. G. Cook, Blowing Rock.....	12	16	12	18	15	25	25		7			130	75						
Middle Fork.....	Ira Hodges, Banner Elk.....	12	10	12		26	48			6	*		96	210	135	9	*	2	18	12
Mountain Dale.....	Clyde Cornett, Reese.....	17			17	21	23			3			81	75						
Mount Gilead.....	Smith Eggers, Heaton.....	13		7			18	21		3			62	45						
Mount Lebanon.....	Clarence Barp, Vilas.....	10	7	13	20	12	24						86	60					46	40
Oak Grove.....	L. M. Hodges, Adams.....	18	21	15	24	26	30	50		20			204	124					50	40
Pleasant Grove.....	I. B. Wilson, Zionville.....	45	17	16	25	17	31	26		5			192	151					58	42
Poplar Grove.....	M. W. Day, Shulls Mills.....	20	15	20	30	10	25			9			125	80		*				
Profit Grove.....	Arle Proffitt, Meat Camp.....	10	18		22	20	38	35		7			150	64	3	*				
Rich Mountain.....	T. O. Eggers.....	6	4	5	6	8	10	10		5			54	40						
Rutherford.....	Eloy W. Norris, Boone.....	14			23	35	32			7			111	80						
Shulls Mills.....	Mrs. Edna Holloway, Shulls Mills.....												80	60						
South Fork.....	E. R. Mikeal, Todd.....	10	12	10	10	15	21			2			80	51						
Stony Fork.....	W. L. Greene, Stony Fork.....	25	20	31	19	12	70			11			188	178	2					
Tabernacle.....	Mrs. Julia Phillips, Boone.....	4	4		6	9	10			5			38	20	1			1		
Three Forks.....	W. G. Todd, Boone.....	10	24	10	14	12	8	39					117	65						
Timbered Ridge.....	John Ward, Reese.....		9	15	20	12	15			9			80	71						
Union.....	J. M. Burkett, Mabel.....	18	9	23	23	13	27	11					124	100	22					
Willowdale.....	R. M. Greene, Vilas.....	14	12	24	18	10	17						95	60	2					
Willow Valley.....	G. C. Ward, Sugar Grove.....	5	7	8	12	14	23			2			71	50		*				
Zion Hill.....	Gradan Hagaman, Rominger.....	20		16			28	25					91	80						
Zionville.....	Fred Castle, Zionville.....	25	9	19	21	30	18	65		6			193	102	13				63	50
TOTALS.....		202	495	412	617	672	932	127	175				50038		78				397	

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TABLE THREE — BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	DIRECTOR OF TRAINING UNION		DIRECTOR OF TRAINING UNION											Students in College			
	Adult Unions	Yng. People's Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Tot. Unions, Sto. Hrs.	Adults Enrolled	Young People Enroll'd	Intermediates Enroll'd	Juniors Enrolled	Story Hours Enrolled	Tot. Enrolled Unions	and Story Hours		Daily Bible Readers	No. Taking St. Course	Tot. Systematic Givers
Bethel .....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30	1	1	1	30	30	20	...	5	
Boone .....	1	4	1	1	1	1	8	20	90	25	18	5	158	...	...	60	
Cove Creek .....	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	15	8	18	11	10	62	20	22	29	
Laurel Springs .....	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	25	25	18	...	68	68	...	...	7	
Mount Calvary .....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	16	10	
Oak Grove .....	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	40	25	20	...	40	40	24	...	6	
Pleasant Grove .....	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	15	18	22	20	10	95	24	...	5	
Rutherford .....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	83	25	...	...	
Stony Fork .....	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	8	40	14	...	8	70	...	...	1	
Union .....	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	24	...	...	...	
Willow Valley .....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	24	...	...	...	
TOTALS .....	7	9	8	7	5	36	123	123	209	188	107	41	748	111	63	54	85



TABLE FOUR — WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL SUP'T Mrs. D. P. Coffey, Blowing Rock		PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND POST OFFICES										Contributions (Local Work) By W. M. U.		Contributions (Mis- sions) By W. M. U.
	Number W. M. S.	Number Y. W. A.'s	Number G. A.'s	Number R. A.'s	Number Sunbeams	Total W. M. S. Orgs.	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A.'s Members	G. A.'s Members	R. A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Tot. Members Enrol'd	Tot. Enr. Mis. St. Cse.	Contributions (Local Work) By W. M. U.	Contributions (Mis- sions) By W. M. U.
Blowing Rock	1	1	2	1	1	1	27	30	24	18	187	15	15	49.30	49.30
Boone	5	1	1	1	1	9	65	30	24	18	127	65	65	87.50	401.28
Cove Creek	1	1	2	2	1	7	40	15	26	27	15	86	86	18.72	156.29
Meat Camp	1	1	1	1	1	1	23	1	1	1	23	1	1	26.86	3.81
Mount Calvary	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	1	1	1	14	14	14	24.00	3.75
Oak Grove	1	1	1	1	1	1	16	1	1	1	16	16	10	173.00	52.00
Poplar Grove	1	1	1	1	1	1	21	1	1	1	21	21	3	0.00	10.25
Stony Fork	1	1	1	1	1	1	26	1	1	1	26	26	25	1.00	5.00
Willow Valley	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	1	1	1	12	12	18	0.00	16.55
Zion Hill	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	1	1	1	8	8	8	130.00	62.00
TOTALS	14	2	4	3	1	24	252	35	50	45	15	407	190	682.08	760.23

TABLE FIVE—CHURCH PROPERTY

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Own House Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rooms	No. Sep. Class Rooms	Value Church House and Grounds	Value Mission Chapel	Value Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
Antioch.....	Mrs. Joy G. Greene, Sugar Grove.....	Yes	1903	Wood	300	1			250			2500		
Beaver Dam.....	C. B. Reese, Trade, Tenn.....	Yes	1924	Wood	350	7	1	6	2800			2800		
Beech Valley.....	Spencer Phillips, Beech Creek.....	Yes	1941	Wood	600	7	1	6	2200			2200	188	
Bethany.....	M. P. Ward, Balm.....	Yes	1898	Wood	250	1			1000			1000		
Bethel.....	Bert Farthing, Sugar Grove.....	Yes	1924	Brick	450	9	1	8	5000			5000		
Blowing Rock.....	Mrs. L. A. Hollars, Blowing Rock.....	Yes	1924	Wood	250	8	1	7	17000			17000		
Boone.....	H. W. Wilcox, Boone.....	Yes	1929	Brick	850	47	6	41	75000		7500	82500	16000	11500
Brookside.....	Minnie Dare Greene, Vilas.....	Yes	1881	Wood	400	1			2500			2500		
Brushy Fork.....	Harston Coffey, Banner Elk.....	Yes	1941	Wood	300	6	1	5	4000			4000		
Clark's Creek.....	W. W. Austin, Shulls Mills.....	Yes	1910	Wood	300	1			2500			2500		
Cool Springs.....	Mrs. Hattie S. Lewis, Sherwood.....	Yes	1923	Brick	400	10	1	9	10000		4000	14000	110	
Cove Creek.....	W. C. South, Tamarack.....	Yes	1890	Wood	200	1			500			500		
Elk Knob.....	Mack Johnson, Vilas.....	Yes	1907	Wood	450	1			1400			1400		
Forest Grove.....	Russell Wellborn, Deep Gap.....	Yes	1882	Wood	300	5	1	4	1500			1500		
Gap Creek.....	L. F. Cottrell, Boone.....	Yes	1900	Wood	400	3	1	2	1000			1000		
Howards Creek.....	Clifford, Ray, Deep Gap.....	Yes	1938	Brick	300	1			6000			6000		
Laurel Springs.....	M. C. Brown, Boone.....	Yes	1927	Wood	400	5	1	4	5000			5000		
Meat Camp.....	L. P. Hodges, Blowing Rock.....	Yes	1905	Wood	300	1			2000			2000		
Middle Fork.....	R. C. Greene, Balm.....	Yes	1933	Brick	400	6	1	5	10000	300		13300	750	
Mountain Dale.....	C. F. Moody, Reese.....	No												
Mount Calvary.....	Ted Reese, Heaton.....	Yes	1891	Wood	200	1			2000			2000		
Mount Gillead.....	Clarence Earp, Vilas.....	Yes	1891	Wood	300	1			900			900		
Mount Lebanon.....	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams.....	Yes	1937	Brick	400	6	1	5	7200			7200	528	2000
Oak Grove.....	Roy Eggers, Zionville.....	Yes	1891	Wood	500	5	1	4	3000			3000		
Pleasant Grove.....	Collis Austin, Shulls Mills.....	Yes	1914	Wood	225	1	6	4	4000			4000		
Poplar Grove.....	L. E. Wilson, Zionville.....	Yes	1919	Wood	300	5	1	4	1500			1500		
Proffit Grove.....	L. E. Beach, Zionville.....	Yes	1907	Wood	200	1			1000			1000		
Rich Mountain.....	Mrs. B. D. Clawson, Boone.....	Yes	1939	Wood	400	1			2800			2800		
Rutherford.....	C. M. Shore, Shulls Mills.....	Yes	1888	Wood	250	1			500			500		
Shulls Mills.....	Leslie E. Norris, Todd.....	Yes	1901	Wood	300	1			3000		300	3300		
South Fork.....	John Wellborn, Stony Fork.....	Yes	1942	Brick	600	11	1	10	10000			10000		
Stony Fork.....	J. W. Evers, Boone.....	Yes	1927	Wood	200	4	1	3	1500			1500		
Tabernacle.....	Walker F. Edmisten, Boone.....	Yes	1922	Wood	300	5	1	4	2500			2500		
Three Forks.....	Basel Tester, Reese.....	Yes	1912	Wood	300	6	1	4	4000			4000		
Timbered Ridge.....	J. M. Burkett, Mabel.....	Yes	1941	Wood	525	1	6	5	3000			3000		
Union.....	I. A. Bumgarner, Vilas.....	Yes	1911	Wood	300	6	1	5	1000			1000		
Willowdale.....	George W. Harman, Sugar Grove.....	Yes	1886	Wood	400	1			2000			2000		
Willow Valley.....	Lewis Harman, Beech Creek.....	Yes	1886	Wood	400	3	1	2	2000			2000		
Zion Hill.....	Mozella Eggers, Zionville.....	Yes	1926	Wood	300	7	1	6	5000			5000		
Zionville.....		Yes												
TOT. I.S.									148,000	92,000	1,480,000	2,000,000	1,807,618	155,600



TABLE SEVEN—MISSIONS AND BENEVOLENCES

CHURCHES	Total to Cooperative Program	Special to Associa-tional Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Schools and Colleges	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Special to Old Ministers' Relief	Hundred Thousand Club	Red Cross and Foreign Relief	Other Objects	Total Given for Mis-sions, Benevolences by Church and All Departments	Total All Purposes, Local Work and Mis-sions, Given by the
Antioch.....	1.55	1.76	.....	.....	6.80	1.75	102.13	5.00	.....	.....	.....	19.85	126.98	374.02
Beaver Dam.....	20.00	.....	32.63	.....	.....	1.75	159.51	42.00	.....	.....	.....	3.55	216.92	568.99
Beech Valley.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	90.25	19.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	152.88	915.25
Bethany.....	31.35	4.04	5.32	3.01	.....	.....	91.30	5.27	.....	.....	.....	5.80	107.38	331.27
Bethel.....	17.00	.....	.....	3.50	13.97	.....	189.39	20.67	.....	.....	33.78	.....	302.02	1480.24
Blowing Rock.....	475.00	80.70	25.00	.....	50.00	27.78	2.75	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	29.75	617.51
Boone.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	195.71	57.61	100.01	92.55	23.35	99.62	1207.33	6256.73
Brookside.....	8.00	.....	10.50	29.00	21.80	.....	111.70	51.50	.....	.....	.....	18.05	250.55	735.48
Brushy Fork.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45.00	7.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	52.00	2160.85
Clark's Creek.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21.22	8.38	.....	.....	.....	.....	29.60	276.21
Cove Creek.....	169.94	.....	.....	.....	18.00	.....	126.26	19.18	.....	.....	.....	71.41	404.79	2513.60
Elk Knob.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	71.14	14.30	4.03	.....	.....	.....	114.86	338.78
Forest Grove.....	25.39	3.20	14.40	11.83	10.67	.....	23.75	8.60	.....	.....	.....	14.48	86.93	332.46
Gap Creek.....	.....	.....	.....	12.33	.....	.....	35.65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	47.98	381.20
Howards Creek.....	6.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.03	15.42	4.00	.....	.....	12.05	88.00	1765.09
Laurel Springs.....	.....	.....	4.75	.....	15.61	.....	199.18	14.60	.....	.....	.....	17.43	251.57	655.08
Meat Camp.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.50	.....	37.77	12.11	.....	.....	.....	.....	62.38	434.26
Middle Fork.....	65.83	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	179.13	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	254.96	1450.70
Mount Calvary.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.00	463.99
Mountain Dale.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.23	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	22.23	187.95
Mount Ghlad.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	59.68	6.83	.....	.....	.....	.....	101.41	330.29
Mount Lebanon.....	43.33	.....	.....	5.00	6.25	.....	53.80	29.06	15.60	.....	.....	54.27	209.33	973.18
Oak Grove.....	12.20	.....	4.50	.....	.....	.....	316.50	7.15	.....	.....	.....	2.00	342.35	925.46
Pleasant Grove.....	30.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	130.11	8.94	.....	.....	.....	13.90	187.95	673.48
Poplar Grove.....	.....	.....	6.36	.....	.....	.....	60.30	5.44	.....	.....	.....	.....	72.10	694.56
Proffit Grove.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41.02	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.55	51.57	129.81
Rich Mountain.....	.....	.....	.....	5.40	.....	.....	23.68	5.62	.....	.....	.....	.....	34.70	424.91
Rutherford.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16.66	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	21.66	157.50
Shulls Mills.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	57.63	16.09	.....	.....	.....	3.30	151.15	599.42
South Fork.....	.....	6.55	11.26	.....	56.32	.....	192.00	18.77	.....	.....	.....	35.00	250.27	6806.55
Stony Fork.....	.....	4.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	14.00	8.05	.....	.....	.....	.....	26.70	348.81
Tahernacle.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.65	.....	56.60	13.92	.....	.....	.....	.....	138.24	532.80
Three Forks.....	67.72	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23.07	4.80	.....	.....	.....	.....	40.08	172.17
Timbered Ridge.....	4.13	.....	1.85	.....	.....	.....	114.58	12.00	.....	15.00	.....	4.35	141.58	942.97
Union.....	19.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42.06	11.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	72.06	451.44
Willowdale.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	190.75	96.54	.....	.....	.....	.....	167.49	436.80







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## SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE 1944 SESSION

Theme: "Back to Bethel"

Tuesday, August 29, 1944

- 9:30- 9:55—Devotional and Roll Call  
9:55-10:15—Address of Moderator  
10:15-11:00—Temperance  
11:00-11:30—Religious Literature  
11:30-11:45—Announcements and Miscellaneous  
11:45-12:30—Annual Sermon ..... James C. Sherwood

### NOON RECESS

- 1:30- 1:45—Devotional  
1:45- 3:00—Missions  
3:00- 3:45—Christian Education (Colleges, Sunday School, B. T. U.)  
3:45- 4:00—Closing Worship

### NIGHT SESSION

- 8:00 —Special Meeting of Promotion Committee and Delegates  
—Reports for All Churches by Pastors and Delegates

Wednesday, August 30, 1944

- 9:30- 9:45—Devotional  
9:45-10:05—Obituaries  
10:05-10:30—Report of Associational Missionary  
10:30-11:00—Woman's Work  
11:00-11:30—Report of Executive Committee  
11:30-12:00—Associational Progress  
Reports from Churches and Aims for Next Year  
12:00-12:15—Election of Officers

### NOON RECESS

- 1:15- 1:30—Devotional  
1:30- 2:30—Benevolences (Mills Home, Hospital and Old Ministers' Relief)  
2:30- 3:00—Reports: Treasurer, Finance, Nominations, Resolutions, and Time, Place and Preacher  
3:00- 3:30—Miscellaneous and Reading Minutes  
3:30- 3:45—Closing Worship

Executive Committee.

**OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION**

S. C. Eggers, Moderator	Boone
Wade E. Brown, Vice-Moderator	Boone
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treasurer	Boone
Doughton Greene, Historian	Sugar Grove
Gordon Hodges, Song Leader	Vilas
N. M. Greene, Associational Missionary	Boone

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Wade E. Brown, Chairman	Boone
W. D. Farthing	Boone
G. A. Hamby	Balm
N. M. Greene	Boone
R. C. Eggers	Zionville
S. C. Eggers	Boone
Clyde R. Greene	Boone
N. M. Greene, Chairman Promotion Committee	Boone

**NOMINATIONS**

- Missions—James C. Sherwood and Cecil Glenn
- Religious Literature—G. A. Hamby and Raymond Hendrix
- Associational Progress—Wade E. Brown and L. M. Hodges
- Benevolences—Bert Farthing and Alvin Cannon
- Temperance—J. C. Canipe and Howard Shore
- Christian Education—W. M. Gerald and Bynum Trivett
- Woman's Work—Mrs. J. C. Canipe and Mrs. L. M. Hodges
- Resolutions—John Hagaman and Thomas Stanbery

MINUTES OF THE THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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- Obituaries—Wade Byers and A. E. Moretz
- Sunday School Director—C. J. Farthing, Boone
- B. T. U. Director—H. R. Eggers, Boone
- Orphanage Director—Russell D. Hodges, Boone
- Hospital Director—Bearol Culler, Boone
- Nominations—Moderator to Appoint
- Order of Business—Executive Committee
- Time, Place and Preacher—Moderator to Appoint
- Finance—Moderator to Appoint

**BAPTIST TRAINING UNION ORGANIZATION**

- Director ----- H. R. Eggers, Boone
- Assistant Director ----- H. W. Wilcox, Boone
- Secretary-Treasurer ----- Susie Bell Moody, Vilas
- Adult Leader ----- C. J. Farthing, Boone
- Senior Leader ----- Mrs. Alma Shoemaker, Balm
- Intermediate Leader ----- Mrs. Hale Vance, Boone
- Junior Leader ----- Mrs. Odes Wilson, Zionville
- Story Hour Leader ----- Mrs. D. L. Wilcox, Boone
- Group Leaders ---- Miss Ona Farthing, Mrs. Maxie Edmisten,  
Stella Chloe Rogers and Mrs. Blan Clawson

**W. M. U. ORGANIZATION**

- Superintendent ----- Mrs. S. C. Eggers, Boone
- Assistant Superintendent ----- Mrs. J. L. Qualls, Boone
- Secretary-Treasurer ----- Mrs. Don C. Perry, Sherwood
- Young Peoples' Leader ----- Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville

MINUTES OF THE THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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Community Missions Chairman ----- Mrs. H. R. Eggers, Boone  
Literature and Library Chairman ----- Mrs. B. R. Page, Boone  
Mission Study Chairman ----- Mrs. J. C. Canipe, Boone  
Stewardship Chairman ----- Mrs. Carter Farthing Boone  
Margaret Fund Chairman ----- Mrs. S. F. Horton, Sugar Grove

**SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZATION**

Superintendent ----- C. J. Farthing, Boone  
Assistant Superintendent ----- H. W. Wilcox, Boone  
Secretary ----- Elizabeth Page, Boone  
Group Leaders ----- Cecil Glenn, E. R. Mikeal,  
I. B. Wilson and Henry Hagaman  
Cradle Roll Leader ----- Mrs. H. W. Wilcox, Boone  
Beginners' Leader ----- Mrs. Don Perry, Sherwood  
Primary Leader ----- Mrs. J. C. Canipe, Boone  
Junior Leader ----- Mrs. Tommy Holloway, Shulls Mills  
Intermediate Leader ----- Mrs. Howard Gragg, Boone  
Young People's Leader ----- Miss Ella Austin, Boone  
Adult and Extension ----- Dr. J. T. C. Wright, Boone  
Vacation Bible Schools ----- Miss Margaret Adams, Sherwood

**ORDAINED MINISTERS**

BETHANY—James Allen, Rominger; J. T. McGuire, Altapass.  
BETHEL—E. J. Farthing, Sugar Grove  
BLOWING ROCK—W. M. Gerald, James M. Hodges, Blowing  
Rock  
BOONE—J. C. Canipe, B. R. Page, Tipton Greene, G. M. Wat-  
son and Roy Dotson, Boone

- BRUSHY FORK—Grady Minton, Vilas
- COOL SPRINGS—W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock; Howard Shore, Boone
- COVE CREEK—James C. Sherwood, Sherwood
- ELK KNOB—Hiram Phillips, Tolliver; Noah Johnson, Meat Camp
- LAUREL SPRINGS—W. C. Greene, J. L. Greene, Laxon
- MEAT CAMP—A. E. Moretz, Boone
- MIDDLE FORK—R. H. Shore, J. J. Matney, Blowing Rock
- MOUNT CALVARY—G. A. Hamby and Roby Painter, Balm
- MOUNT LEBANON—Ronda Earp, Vilas; T. T. Danner, Valle Crucis
- POPLAR GROVE—Clayton Greene, Shulls Mills
- RUTHERWOOD—A. B. Church, Boone
- STONY FORK—H. H. Smith and T. S. Robbins, Stony Fork
- TABERNACLE—N. M. Greene, Boone
- THREE FORKS—Raymond Hendrix and Bearol Culler, Boone
- UNION—J. R. Trivette, Creston
- ZION HILL—Thomas Stanbery and Lawrence Hagaman, Beech Creek
- ZIONVILLE—R. C. Eggers, Zionville

#### LICENTIATES

- ANTIOCH—Bynum Trivett, Sugar Grove
- BETHANY—E. Y. Edmisten, Gold Hicks and A. T. Watson, Rominger
- BOONE—Baxter Howell, Vilas
- LAUREL SPRINGS—Ray Lee Greene, Laxon



MOUNT CALVARY—Ira Hodges, Banner Elk

STONY FORK—Macon Greene, Stony Fork

TIMBERED RIDGE—Albert Tester and John Ward, Reese

**ROLL OF MESSENGERS**

ANTIOCH—W. D. Harmon, Bynum Trivett, Mrs. Bessie Ward

BEAVER DAM—Raymond Eller, Lee Swift, Clyde Robinson

BEECH VALLEY—W. S. Harmon, Carrie Harmon, Tracey Guy

BETHANY—A. T. Watson, J. M. Michael, Lee Ward

BETHEL—W. W. Wilson, D. C. Hagaman, Bert Farthing

BLOWING ROCK—W. M. Gerald, Pastor

BOONE—S. C. Eggers, H. R. Eggers, Wade E. Brown

BROOKSIDE—

BRUSHY FORK—Clay Greene, Geo. H. Hayes, Grady Greene

CLARK'S CREEK—W. G. Coffey, G. W. Byrd, B. N. Eggers

COOL SPRINGS—E. E. Carlton, Eddie Sherill, Virgie Rogers

COVE CREEK—Mrs. D. F. Horton, Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Don  
Perry

ELK KNOB—Frank Main, Lloyd Miller, W. C. South

FOREST GROVE—Scott Norris, Mack Johnson, Hill Eggers

GAP CREEK—A. G. Miller, Thomas Fairchild, Russell Wellborn

HOWARDS CREEK—L. F. Cottrell, Watson Tester, J. H. Jones

LAUREL SPRINGS—Blan Wagner, Allie Watson, Tom Greene

MEAT CAMP—M. C. Brown, Mrs. Nannie Greene, Howard  
Gragg

MIDDLE FORK—H. J. Shore, H. B. Triplett, H. G. Cook

MOUNT CALVARY—Ira Hodges, F. F. Lawrence, Homer  
Shoemaker

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MOUNTAIN DALE—Collis Greene, Clyde Cornett, C. F. Moody

MOUNT GILEAD—Geo. Lawrence, T. M. Younce, O. H. Trivett

MOUNT LEBANON—B. A. Hodges, Jerry Moore, J. N. Minton

OAK GROVE—L. M. Hodges, C. J. Farthing, G. W. Hodges

PLEASANT GROVE—John Hagaman, T. S. Pennell, A. J. Tester

POPLAR GROVE—T. C. Hodges, M. W. Day, B. A. Cook

PROFFIT GROVE—S. G. Wilson, Frank Winebarger, W. A. Proffit

RICH MOUNTAIN—Jim McNeil, T. O. Eggers

RUTHERWOOD—W. C. Carroll, Hoy W. Norris, Ralph Hodges

SHULLS MILLS—J. B. Reed, Mont Teague, Fred Hatley

SOUTH FORK—George Miller, W. F. Norris, J. L. Miller

STONY FORK—John Wellborn, Macon Greene, W. L. Greene

TABERNACLE—Mrs. Ben Phillips, Lloyd Stanbery, J. W. Byers

THREE FORKS—A. J. Edmisten, Bearol Culler, J. C. Brookshire

TIMBERED RIDGE—E. B. Hagaman, A. C. Trivett, Robert Greene

UNION—Ed S. Williams, Max Hagaman, L. C. Oliver

WILLOWDALE—Cecil Glenn, R. M. Greene, F. M. Blair

WILLOW VALLEY—Carlie Greene, Ned Glenn, Spencer Cable

ZION HILL—B. Presnell, Clarence Cannon, Lewis Harmon

ZIONVILLE—Curtis May, Edd Bumgardner, N. T. Byers.

## CONSTITUTION

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who, on producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, the ministers being members ex-officio.

2. In the letters from the different churches is to be expressed their numbers in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed by letter, excommunicated and dead since last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any special power over the churches. They shall not infringe any internal right of any church in this Union.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and clerk, who shall be chosen annually by the suffrage of the members present.

5. New churches, or any regular Baptist church of Christ being legally dismissed by letter by any sister Association, upon application and delegates, shall be admitted to our Union.

6. Every church in the Association shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

7. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be once read, and before it is debated the Moderator shall put it to a vote, and if there is a majority for it being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and be debated, but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of their proceedings. The best method of accomplishing this purpose shall be at the direction of the future Associations.

10. We think it is absolutely necessary that we should have an Associational fund for defraying the expense of the same. For the raising and supporting of which we think it to be the duty of each church in the Union to contribute annually such sums as they shall think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association. The

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money thus raised shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer, appointed by the Association, who shall be accountable for the same. He shall pay the money out from time to time as the Association may direct.

11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for his services.

12. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needs be, and signed by the Moderator and the Clerk before the Association rises.

13. Amendments to the plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association when they deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months prior notice.

14. The Association shall have power:

To provide for the general union of the churches.

To endeavor to preserve a chain of union amongst the churches.

To give the churches the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

To appropriate the money contributed by the churches for an Associational fund to any purpose they may think proper.

To have power to withdraw from any church in their Union who shall violate the rules of this Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

To correspond with sister Associations.

To invite any Baptist in the ministry to a seat in the Association, who may be present at the time of their sitting.

To adjourn the Association to any future time and place they may think proper and most convenient to the churches in the Union.

## RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

3. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect



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upon the person who spoke before him as to make remarks on his steps, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state the matter as he can do so as to give his views or ideas.

4. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

5. No person shall rise and speak more than three times to any one subject without liberty from the Association.

6. No member shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same or whispering in the time of public speaking.

7. No member shall address another in any other appellation than that of brother.

8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

9. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as required by the Association.

10. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any of the other members, provided the chair be filled. He shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.



# Proceedings

of the

**THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

Held With

**CLARK'S CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH**

Valle Crucis, N. C.

**FIRST DAY**

**Tuesday, August 24, 1943**

**Morning Session**

1. The One Hundred Third Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina met with Clark's Creek Baptist Church, Valle Crucis, N. C., Tuesday, August 24, 1943, at 9:30 a. m.

2. The Association was opened by singing "Amazing Grace," led by Gordon Hodges. Raymond Hendrix, pastor of Clark's Creek Church, led the opening prayer.

3. The Moderator, S. C. Eggers, called the One Hundred Third Session to order for the transaction of business.

4. The Clerk called the roll of the churches and all responded, either by messengers, pastors or letters except Blowing Rock, Brookside and Union. (Blowing Rock and Union were represented later and Brookside sent a letter after the Session.)

5. R. C. Eggers led in prayer and the Moderator delivered his annual address which was built around the theme of the session, "The Light in a Dark World."

6. The Clerk read the report of the Executive Committee

on Order of Business. The report was adopted as read by motion, giving the Moderator the power to make any necessary changes in the program which he may deem expedient.

7. The report on Temperance was called for, but was not ready, so the subject was discussed by James C. Sherwood, Clyde R. Greene, J. A. Williams and J. C. Canipe. The report is to be submitted later by the committee.

### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

At no time in our history has the cause of temperance received such a challenge as now, for it appears that the liquor forces have taken complete control of our law making bodies to such an extent that the people themselves do not have any opportunity to say whether we shall or shall not have alcohol in its various forms put before our young people. Shall we as Christian people decide that there is no use to continue the fight against "Public Enemy Number One," or shall we dig deeper and broader until we as Christians can forget our politics and prejudices and realize that there is nothing confronting us now so important as crushing this deadly foe of our civilization? We cannot defeat this terrible monster unless we are willing to sacrifice some things and be willing to pay the price necessary to break his hold on our legislative bodies.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. Wilson

Thomas Stanbery

8. The following visitors were recognized: G. W. Gragg, Stony Fork Association; G. W. Sebastian, Brushy Mountain Association; Dan Wheeler, Swaunee County, Fla., Association; Dr. R. C. Gresham, Colquitt, Ga., Association; Henry Crisp, Caldwell Association; D. M. Edmisten, Avery Association, and Smith Hagaman, Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem.

9. The Moderator announced the following committees:

NOMINATIONS—R. C. Eggers, I. A. Bumgarner, and Ronda Earp.

FINANCE—W. C. Smith, Cecil Glenn and Dave Love.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER—J. C. Canipe, C. J. Farthing and Howard Shore.

10. C. J. Farthing read the report on Religious Literature and upon motion to adopt led the discussion. Smith Hagaman, G. W. Sebastian, S. C. Eggers and J. C. Canipe also discussed the subject and the report was adopted.

### REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

The moral dynamic of our people today is at a low ebb. So much has been done in the scientific realm to draw the attention to a materialistic life; so much has been and is being written about new inventions, new and better ways of living a life of ease, until we have spent the most of our reading time in a field that does not contribute to building morals.

There are but two agencies that can be depended on to promote the reading of literature that tends to build a spiritual and moral life—the christian home and the church. If these two divine institutions fail in their responsibility, how shall we expect our people, both old and young, to meet the issues and problems of life with high spiritual and moral ideals?

Every church in our Association should have a library and should encourage its members to read. We should utilize through our Sunday Schools the literature published by our Sunday School Board. The Biblical Recorder should be in every Baptist home. Without information regarding the work of Christ's Kingdom there can be no inspiration.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. Farthing

11. Vilas Minton, the appointee to preach the Annual Sermon, was recognized and took charge of the service. The Association sang "There Is A Fountain Filled With Blood." Brother Minton read verses 1-17 of the 2nd chapter of Phillipians and J. C. Canipe led in prayer. He then announced his subject, "The Church in a Dark World." In a message of inspiration and power the following outline was emphasized:

1. The world is experiencing a dark period at this time.
2. The Church is the light of the world.

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3. The Church has the keys to the Kingdom.
4. The light must continue to lead the thought of the world.
5. As church members we have a part in causing this light to shine in every corner of the dark world.
6. The mission of the Church is to reach the lost—those in darkness.
7. After reaching them the Church must enlist, train and teach them.
8. The Church should use the best methods to reach sinners.
9. The teaching of Christ as expoused by the Church is the only hope of a dark world.
10. The Church will have an enlarged opportunity at the close of the war provided we keep hatred out of our hearts.
11. The Church will lead America back to God.  
Brother Minton closed his message with prayer.
12. The Association adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by G. A. Hamby.

### TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

13. The Association reconvened at 1:10 p. m. with Vice-Moderator Wade E. Brown presiding. Grady Hamby conducted the devotional service.
14. Carl Triplett, a former pastor of Clark's Creek Church, was recognized and he gave a short account of the reorganization of the church and the building of the present house of worship.
15. G. A. Hamby presented the report on Missions. Upon motion to adopt the report was discussed by M. A. Huggins, Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, and was adopted.



16. The congregation stood and sang "Nearer My God to Thee."

### REPORT ON MISSIONS

In Matthew 4:23 we find the program of Jesus as a missionary teacher and preacher. Here he healed all manner of sickness among the people. His program was to minister to human needs and it has not been changed. We should endeavor to carry out His program as outlined and carried on by Him.

Twenty years ago we had men and women who wanted to go as foreign missionaries, but we had no money with which to support them. Now we have the money and the missionaries are few. We should pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into the fields which are white to harvest. In Matthew 28:19 Jesus commanded us to carry the gospel story to the whole world. Our job is to change the world and bring it to the feet of Jesus.

Respectfully submitted,

G. A. Hamby

17. J. C. Canipe brought the report on Christian Education and he led the discussion. The subject was further discussed by Smith Hagaman. C. J. Farthing read a report on Sunday Schools, which was offered as an amendment to the report on Christian Education. Mr. Farthing discussed the Sunday School report and the report with amendment was adopted.

### REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian Education is education in and about Christ. We can educate non Christians about Christ, but we can only educate Christians in Christ.

In our homes and in the Sunday Schools we can and ought to educate our children about Christ until they come to the years of accountability. Then we are obligated to win them to Christ and begin their education in Christ. The process of Christian education never ends till we come to the full knowledge of the stature of Christ as God has revealed it in Him.

In the first stages of this educational process—that is before



they become Christians—we prepare the way for them to come to Christ. We form the influences and the environments that make it easy for them to come to Him. The Sunday School, the home and the conduct of church members are all leading factors in this important preparation. After they become Christians through faith in Christ as their personal savior other factors come into the educational process. Of course, the home and the Sunday Schools continue their noble work, but the schools and the Training Unions now become an important factor in this Christian educational picture.

In this war-torn world of sin and strife there has never been a greater need for Christian education. Let our homes take note; let our churches get busy; let our Christian Schools take heed, or they will soon be out of business. This is no time for retreat since advance is the order of the day. This sad comment about one of the tribes in the Old Testament almost tells the story in our day, "The Children of Ephraim being armed and carrying bows turned back in the day of battle."

Our homes, our churches and our Christian colleges must all press the battle for Christian Education now as never before. Christian leaders and statesmen are dreaming and hoping to have a large part in forming that new and better world that we are thinking of now as never before. God grant that we may not only have the opportunity to do it but that we may be prepared to do it.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Canipe

## REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Our great need in the Three Forks Association is for the Church and Sunday School to realize their interdependence. Many of our Sunday Schools are operating on an independent basis, especially in the election of officers and teachers and in finance. Neither the Sunday School or the Church will reach its greatest efficiency until we become convinced that the Sunday School is the teaching agency of the Church and that the teaching program is imperative to the growth of the Church.

Every church should promote at least a ten day teaching program especially for the Sunday School teachers. There are many good books published by our denomination that are beneficial to our teachers if they were given the opportunity to study them.

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We have had one teachers' revival in this Association conducted by J. C. Pipes and J. C. Canipe. We had an average of 15 teachers present for five nights with excellent results. Eleven churches were represented. We are planning more of these revivals if the churches are interested. We have made great progress in our Sunday School work but there is still a great harvest to be garnered.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. Farthing

18. The Association adjourned, benediction by Dr. R. C. Gresham.

### NIGHT SESSION

19. N. M. Greene, Chairman of the Promotion Committee, was in charge of the service. After M. P. Ward conducted the song service Dave Greene read the scripture and N. M. Greene led in prayer. He then called on the churches for reports and 14 responded. The information given in the church letters was discussed and the aims for next year emphasized.

20. R. C. Eggers delivered a sermon on Missions. In his discourse he recounted the early missionary efforts on the Yaddin River which led to the establishing of Baptist Churches in Watauga County.

### SECOND DAY

#### Wednesday Morning

21. The Moderator called the Association to order at 9:30 a. m. After singing "How Firm a Foundation," Howard Shore conducted the opening worship.

22. Doughton Greene read the report on Obituaries and the Association stood silently in memory of our departed members. J. C. Canipe offered prayer.

23. By motion duly carried the Association directed the Clerk to place in the minutes a picture and short biography of L. C. Wilson and also of F. C. Watts.

24. N. M. Greene, Associational Missionary, offered his report and discussed it. It was adopted.

### REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

During the past year I have visited 26 churches and more than 600 homes. I have traveled 9000 miles and have conducted five revival meetings which resulted in 55 conversions and 46 additions to churches. I have supplied for one church for the past six months when the pastor resigned. I have pastored two other churches. Ten churches have contributed to this work as follows:

Boone .....	\$25.00
Brushy Fork .....	.50
Pleasant Grove .....	2.75
Laurel Springs .....	1.00
Willow Valley .....	10.00
Bethel .....	3.00
Poplar Grove .....	3.69
Stony Fork .....	3.75
Willowdale ....	3.15
Zionville .....	10.65
Total .....	\$64.04
Received for revivals and pastoral work .....	\$382.88
Total received .....	\$446.92

Respectfully submitted,

N. M. Greene

25. Mrs. Nora Wilson presented the report on Woman's Work and after motion to adopt it was discussed by Mrs. Nora Wilson. Margaret Adams brought an appropriate message in song. The discussion was continued by Mrs. D. F. Horton, J. C. Canipe, Mrs. S. C. Eggers, Associational W. M. U. Supt., and Smith Hagaman and was adopted.

### REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

We, the members of the Woman's Missionary Union, are united in carrying out the challenge of our Watchword for the year: "Laborers together with God" "That all the kingdoms of the earth may know that thou art the Lord, even thou only." (1 Cor. 3:9 and Isaiah 37:20) Our hymn for the year is: "All Hail the Power

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of Jesus' Name." It is our privilege and obligation as followers of Jesus to be instruments in giving His message of salvation to the kingdoms of the earth. We, being sustained by the power of Jesus, are trying to be faithful witnesses through enlisting our women and young people in (1) prayer, (2) study of the missionary message of the Bible and world missions, (3) tithes and offerings, (4) missionary education of our young people, and (5) community missions.

The Annual W. M. U. meeting was held in May with Oak Grove Church. A fine spirit of cooperation and Christian fellowship prevailed.

There are eleven Woman's Missionary Societies and twelve Young Peoples' Organizations. We earnestly desire that every church in the Association will give their women and young people the opportunity to serve in the great missionary enterprise. This you can do through the W. M. U. Organizations; Woman's Missionary Society, Young Woman's Auxiliary, Royal Ambassador, Girl's Auxiliary and Sunbeam Band.

Renewed interest is being evidenced in our W. M. U. work as a result of teaching, information and inspiration given by Miss Mary Currin, Miss Kathryn Abbe and Mrs. L. L. Carpenter, who visited in eight of the eleven churches having W. M. U. organizations. Let us each give of our best and be found faithful in giving to the Kingdoms of the earth the message of Christ our Saviour.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. D. F. Horton

Mrs. Spencer Cable

Mrs. Nora M. Wilson

26. Wade E. Brown, Chairman of the Executive Committee, read the report from the Committee. The report was discussed by Wade E. Brown and was adopted.

### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Your Executive Committee has met at the call of the Chairman to pass on the business of the Association as the needs arose and as matters came to our attention for the good of the Association. The following recommendations are made to the Association



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and it is our earnest hope that these matters be seriously considered and if approved that every church seek to carry out these matters faithfully.

1. That our ministers and laymen be urged to always magnify the local church as the fundamental unit of the Christian Program, and that each church adopt and strictly adhere to the policy of not inviting any minister or other person to fill the pulpit without first getting the approval of the pastor of the church or the board of deacons. It is the duty of the church to hold up the pastor as the fundamental leader of the churches' work in the community.

2. That we commend C. J. Farthing as the leader in the movement for Sunday School Teachers' Revivals during the year. We recommend that the Association designate some suitable person to be Educational Director for the Association whose duty it shall be to teach in the Sunday School, B. T. U., W. M. U. and other training services for the advancement of the program of the church.

3. We recommend that each church designate some person to look after the interest of the orphanage and that the name of that person be given to the Association Orphanage Director. It is also urged that all our churches take the once-a-month offering and send it promptly to the orphanage.

4. That the churches are again seriously urged to make every effort to pay off any existing debts, to make such improvements as are needed and to otherwise adopt and strictly adhere to a sound financial program, by adopting a budget, putting on the every member canvass and otherwise to prepare against the day when financial conditions may be less favorable and the opportunities for mission activities be greatly enlarged.

Respectfully submitted,

Wade E. Brown, Chm. Executive Com.

27. Moved by J. C. Canipe, seconded by James C. Sherwood, that the Executive Committee of the Association be directed to cooperate with the Avery Association and the Baptist State Mission Board in the selection of an Educational Director for the two Associations; the State Board to pay one-half of the salary of the said Director and Avery and Three Forks As-



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sociations to pay one-fourth each. This motion was discussed by G. A. Hamby and C. J. Farthing and was adopted.

28. Clyde R. Greene presented the report on Associational Progress. It was discussed by J. C. Canipe and Clyde R. Greene and was adopted.

**REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL PROGRESS**

	1941-42	1942-43	Gain Loss
Membership		6332 6601	269
Baptisms		160 332	172
Sunday Schools		5038 4596	442
Baptist T. Union		748 451	297
W. M. U.		407 435	28
Local Contributions	\$33727.55	\$27391.54	\$6336.01
Missions and Ben.	6209.99	5963.86	246.13
Total Gifts	\$39,937.54	\$33,355.40	\$6582.14

This year 37 churches gave \$2860.31 to the Orphanage, a loss of \$492.79. This year 35 churches gave \$798.25 to the Hospital, a gain of \$249.40.

Respectfully submitted,

Clyde R. Greene

29. The Association recognized the following new preachers and pastors: James C. Sherwood, Ronda Earp, Howard Shore James C. Allen, Tom Stanbery and Macon Greene, student for the Ministry.

30. Election of officers being the next order of business, nominations were called for and the following were nominated and unanimously elected:

Moderator	-----	S. C. Eggers
Vice-Moderator	-----	Wade E. Brown
Clerk-Treasurer	-----	Clyde R. Greene
Historian	-----	Doughton Greene
Song Leader	-----	Gordon Hodges
Missionary	-----	N. M. Greene

31. The Association adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by James C. Sherwood.

### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

32. The Association reconvened at 1:00 p. m. with Wade E. Brown presiding. Macon Greene conducted the devotional service.

33. M. H. Kendall, Professor of Bible at Mars Hill College, spoke on Christian Education.

34. The Clerk read the report on Benevolences and it was discussed by Smith Hagaman, Superintendent of Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, and I. G. Greer, President of the N. C. Baptist Convention and Supt. of the Baptist Orphanage. The report was adopted.

### REPORT ON BENEVOLENCES

Under the heading of Benevolences we have the work of the Orphanage, the Hospital and Old Ministers Relief. Both our orphan homes at Thomasville and Kinston have not only been our care but also our blessing. May we continue in our several churches until we are sending an offering once each month, a large offering at Thanksgiving and produce in season. We also recommend that each of our churches have a club of Charity and Children so we may keep informed about our work there.

Our hospital at Winston-Salem is one of the finest to be found anywhere. It now cares for twelve thousand patients each year. Our Mother's Day offering this year was more than \$60,000. May we continue to increase our gifts as the Lord prospers us.

We shall not discontinue our Old Ministers' Relief Department so long as we have old retired servants of God who have no other provision. We now have a new ministers retirement plan which will be a blessing to both churches and ministers. May all the churches and ministers get into this plan and be secure for old age.

Respectfully submitted,

Dallas Wilson

John Hagaman

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35. Clyde R. Greene read the Treasurer's Report as follows and it was adopted:

**REPORT OF TREASURER**

**RECEIPTS**

United Dry Forces .....	\$ 22.14
New Churches .....	33.16
Minute Fund .....	129.36
Minute Fund from W. M. U. ....	16.80

Total Receipts ..... 201.46

**DISBURSEMENTS**

Overdraft .....	\$ 3.67
M. A. Adams United Dry Forces .....	22.14
Mountain Dale Church .....	16.58
Tabernacle Church .....	16.58
Clerk .....	20.00
Minutes .....	121.20
Freight on Minutes .....	3.74
Binding Minutes .....	3.58
Postage .....	2.28

Total Disbursements ..... 209.77

Overdraft ..... 8.31

Respectfully submitted,

Clyde R. Greene, Treas.

36. A collection was taken to pay the above reported overdraft and to aid Bro. Henry Crisp. This collection amounted to \$13.66. Bro. Crisp was given \$5.35.

37. Cecil Glenn read the report on Finances which was adopted.

**REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Received for munit fund .....	\$156.37
Paid to Treasurer .....	156.37

Respectfully submitted,

Cecil Glenn  
W. C. Smith  
Dave Love

38. R. C. Eggers read the report of the Committee on Nominations and the report was adopted. This report will be found in the Associational Directory.

39. Thomas Stanbery read the report on Temperance and the report was adopted, the subject having been previously discussed.

40. R. A. Farthing read the following history of Clark's Creek Church:

### HISTORY OF CLARK'S CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

During the summer of 1898 a group of citizens of the Clark's Creek community decided that a Baptist Church should be organized in their community. By request of this group Elders D. C. Harmon, C. S. Farthing and E. M. Gragg met the people on Saturday, Oct. 22, 1893 at the Clark's Creek School House and organized a Baptist church with the following members: S. C. Byrd, Martha Byrd, J. S. Byrd, G. W. Byrd, Alice Byrd, Elizabeth Taylor, Jacob Taylor, Adelaide Taylor, Martha Taylor, J. E. Pearson, A. V. Lawrence, Larkin Townsend, G. W. Rowe, S. A. Rowe, Joel Eggers, Polly Eggers, Delitha Honeycutt and Eliza Townsend. The church selected C. S. Farthing its first Moderator and G. W. Rowe clerk.

Of the eighteen charter members only five are now members of the church, twelve are dead and one is a member of another church.

This church remained an active Baptist Church from its organization until 1927 when its last minutes were written for the first period of her history. During this twenty-nine years, C. S. Farthing, E. M. Gragg, Edmund Greene, Isaac McGinnis, John Norris, N. H. Hampton, W. H. Glenn, L. W. Hall, R. H. Shore, A. T. Watson and E. C. Hodges served as pastor. Of these C. S. Farthing served the longest period or thirteen years. He died in this community at the home of S. C. Byrd while filling his regular appointment. Clerks during this time were: G. W. Rowe, Joel Eggers, L. A. Lawrence, C. C. Lawrence, H. C. Taylor, J. S. Byrd and Ellen Lawrence.

During an eleven year period from Oct. 1927 until Aug. 1938 Clark's Creek Baptist Church was dead. Some of her members died and others joined other Baptist Churches. The church build-



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ing was neglected. In Aug. 1938 Carl Triplett, being led by the Holy Spirit came to Clark's Creek and began a revival meeting. With him was Earl Colvard. This meeting resulted in a modern miracle, the dead church was brought back to life. The first minute of the reorganized church show that fifteen members were added by baptism. Carl Triplett was elected pastor and served until 1943. Raymond Hendrix is the present pastor.

After reorganization the church decided they must have a better building. The old building was sold, a new site selected, bought and paid for and a new building erected. This new building bears elequent testimony to the devotion of the membership of the church which at present is 55.

41. By motion and second it was directed that the names of all members of the churches of our Association who are serving our country in the armed forces be placed in the minutes of this session.

42. J. C. Canipe offered the report on Resolutions which was adopted.

### REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS the Clark's Creek Church and community have entertained the One Hundred Third Session of the Three Forks Association in a splendid manner, now therefore be it resolved:

That we express to them our deep gratitude for their generous hospitality to the delegates and visitors at this Session of our Association.

That we covenant with them to give our best service to the Master as they have done in erecting a new house of worship.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Canipe

43. Howard Shore offered the following report on Time, place and Preacher which was adopted:

TIME—Tuesday and Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in August, 1944.

PLACE—Bethel Baptist Church, Sugar Grove, N. C.

PREACHER—James C. Sherwood

ALTERNATE—Raymond Hendrix

Respectfully submitted,

Howard Shore

C. J. Farthing

J. C. Canipe

44. By motion the Clerk was directed to prepare the minutes, have them printed and distributed to the churches and he is allowed \$20.00 for this work.

45. The Clerk read the minutes and they were corrected and adopted.

46. J. C. Canipe brought a fitting message to close the One Hundred Third Session of the Three Forks Association. The Association adjourned with benediction by J. C. Canipe.

S. C. Eggers, Moderator

Clyde R. Greene, Clerk

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPRING SESSION**

**THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

**Held With Tabernacle Church April 30, 1943**

1. The Three Forks Baptist Association met in Special Session with Tabernacle Church on April 30th, 1943, at 10:00 a. m.

2. Gordon Hodges led the opening song service and N. M. Greene led in prayer.

3. The Moderator, S. C. Eggers, called the Session to order and read a telegram from J. C. Canipe conveying greetings to and best wishes for the Spring Session.

4. Raymond Hendrix conducted the devotional service. He read a scriptural lesson and discussed our obligations at this time when our country is at war. Prayer by David Greene.

5. Wade E. Brown, Chairman of the Executive Committee, presented the programs for the Session.

6. The Moderator recognized Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Gragg, visitors from the Stony Fork Association.

7. G. A. Hamby discussed the subject, "The Church's Opportunity in time of war."

8. N. M. Greene, pastor of Tabernacle Church, was recognized and took charge of the service of dedication of the church building. He gave a brief history of the work which was started in 1941 at Miller School. The congregation sang "I Love To Tell The Story" and A. E. Moretz led in prayer in which he thanked God for the work at Tabernacle. The sermon of dedication was delivered by W. D. Ashley who announced his subject, "Why Dedicate a Meeting House." He read from the prayer of Solomon when the Temple was dedicated and discussed the purposes of a church building. 1.

God's name and presence is there. 2. His altar is there. 3. A place of teaching. 4. A place of fellowship. 5. A place of worship. R. C. Eggers offered the dedicatory prayer.

9. A collection amounting to \$30.00 was taken to be used in painting the building.

10. The Session adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by Roby Painter.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

11. The Session reconvened at 1:30 p. m., W. C. Greene conducting the devotional service.

12. Roby Painter discussed the subject, "How Should We Live in a War-torn World."

13. A. E. Moretz discussed "Church Evangelistic Opportunity in Time of War."

14. A roll call revealed that 27 churches were represented.

15. Resolutions endorsing the decision of the County Commissioners not to issue licenses for the sale of wine and beer in the County were presented as follows by Raymond Hendrix and were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS the Churches of the Three Forks Association have from time to time as opportunity presented itself expressed their opposition to the sale of wine and beer in Watauga County, and

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners of Watauga County has declined to issue more licenses for the sale of wine and beer after being requested to refuse to issue the said license by petition of 4000 citizens of the County, now therefore be it resolved by the Three Forks Baptist Association in Spring Session assembled on April 30, 1943:

FIRST, that we endorse the stand of the County Commissioners in their refusal to issue such licenses and we commend them on their stand for sobriety and righteousness in our county;

Second, that we pledge to them our support in this worthy decision;

THIRD, that a copy of these resolutions be given to the Watauga Democrat for publication.



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16. Upon motion of Wade E. Brown the Association voted to express thanks to the Tabernacle Church for her hospitality in entertaining the Spring Session.

17. John W. Kincheloe, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of North Wilkesboro, delivered a challenging message on "The Cost of the Cross."

18. The Special Session adjourned, benediction by C. A. Hamby.

S. C. EGGERS, Moderator

CLYDE R. GREENE, Clerk

**Dedicated To Our Members  
Who Have Passed To The Great Beyond  
Since Our Last Session**

**ANTIOCH—**

Mrs. J. L. Glenn  
Mrs. W. J. Farthing  
Mr. Sam Love  
Mrs. W. H. Shull  
Mrs. Maggie Ward

**BEAVER DAM—**

Mr. J. Roby Wilson

**BEECH VALLEY—**

Mrs. Martha Ann Palmer

**BETHANY—**

Mrs. Eliza Rominger  
Mrs. Lina Presnell

**BETHEL—**

Mrs. Anne W. Hagaman  
Mrs. Nora Isaacs  
Mrs. Alice Palmer

**BLOWING ROCK—**

Deacon J. Millard Hodges

**BOONE—**

Lieutenant John Conway  
Mrs. Adam Greene  
Mr. Robert Dean Swift

**COVE CREEK—**

Mrs. Enoch Swift

**FOREST GROVE—**

Mrs. Jake Fletcher

**GAP CREEK—**

Deacon Adolphus Yates  
Mrs. Myra Greene  
Mr. William Watsen

**LAUREL SPRINGS—**

Mr. Lee Greene  
Mrs. Myra Johnson

**MEAT CAMP—**

Mr. Carl Byers  
Miss Josephine Jones

**MOUNT CALVARY—**

Mrs. Otha Shook Davis

**MOUNT LEBANON—**

Elder J. R. Shore

Mrs. Lydia Brewer

**MOUNT GILEAD—**

Mrs. Nancy Stanbery

**OAK GROVE—**

Mrs. N. N. Colvard

**PLEASANT GROVE—**

Mr. Chas. Isaacs  
Mrs. Rodah Fletcher

**POPLAR GROVE—**

Deacon General Hodges  
Mr. James Oxentine

**PROFFIT GROVE—**

Mrs. Emma Proffit

**SOUTH FORK—**

Mrs. Celia Trivett

**THREE FORKS—**

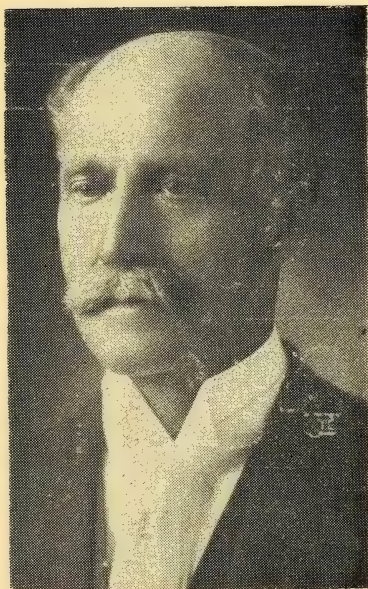
Mrs. Eva Ray  
Mr. Dixson Moretz  
Mrs. Dixson Moretz

**WILLOWDALE—**

Mr. Roe Campbell  
Mr. Hardy Dugger  
Miss Mattie Dugger  
Elder G. W. Trivett  
Mr. J. W. Mast

**ZION HILL—**

Mrs. Bertha Presnell



**ELDER L. C. WILSON**

Elder L. C. Wilson was born August 25, 1859 and died October 29, 1941 at the age of 82 years. He taught school for a number of years in Watauga County. In 1897 he was ordained to the ministry and he served as pastor of many of the churches of the Three Forks and other Associations.

He was a firm believer in the distinctive doctrines of the Baptist Church and was great in his defense of these doctrines. He could always be depended on to take the right stand against the forces of evil and both spoke and wrote against such evils at a time when it meant financial loss as well as loss of popularity to him.



**ELDER F. C. WATTS**

In loving memory of a Christian character, a beloved friend, a brother in Christ Jesus, a servant of God who so faithfully and unselfishly served our church for nineteen years in succession.

Bethany Baptist Church



# IN HONOR

Of Those Who Are In The Armed Forces  
Of Our Country Who Are Members Of The Various  
Churches Of The Three Forks Association

## ANTIOCH—

John Flannery  
Ralph Glenn  
Carter Matheson  
Narvie Rominger  
Melvin L. Shepherd, Jr.  
John Shepherd  
Clyde Tester  
Doughton Tester  
Dean Trivette  
Harvey Gilliam

## BEAVER DAM—

Asa L. Reese  
Woodroe Wilson  
Jake Eggers  
Ralph Moody  
James Rominger  
Roy Rominger  
Oran Dugger  
Daniel Huffman  
T. C. May  
Austin May

## BEECH VALLEY—

Albert Harmon  
James Lacey Guy

## BETHANY—

Henry Michael  
Linville Shoemaker  
Lester Baird  
Lewis Baird

## BETHEL—

Lewis Anderson  
Frank Cable

Edward Clay  
Edsel Farthing  
Joseph Farthing  
Dixson Farthing  
Bill Farthing  
John Greene  
Kelley Greene  
Butler Isaacs  
Raleigh Isaacs  
Rhod Isaacs  
Edgar Matheson  
Chalmer Phillips  
James W. Sherwood  
Perry Stanbery

## BLOWING ROCK—

Dare Hartley, R. N.  
Forest Clawson  
Bernard Pennell  
Lee Robbins  
John Walser  
Mallory Coffey  
Howard Coffey

## BOONE—

Dudley Swift  
Custer Wallace  
Andrew Morgan, Chaplain  
Fred Gragg  
Paul Hagaman  
Hunter Storie  
Greer Hodges  
Truett Greer  
Arnold Brown  
Jerry Wilson

MINUTES OF THE THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Manley Clark	COOL SPRINGS—
John Tatum	Lloyd Pennell
Cecil Farthing	Lowell Cook
Stacy Eggers	Howard Cook
J. Clopton Farthing	Ivan Auton
E. E. Garbee	Walter Brewer
A. Y. Howell, Jr.	COVE CREEK—
Baxter Miller	Darrell Baird
Neil Blair, Jr.	Carroll Baird
William Cline Bray	Burl Greene
Collis Payne	Cecil Harmon
Edwin Dougherty	Robert Lewis
Morris Eggers	Ernest Lewis
Hoy Greene	Dean McBride
Edward Earl Greer	Hardy Moody
Neil Hartley	Blan Norris
Johnie Harrison	Paul Phillips
Jack A. Hodges	Harold Mast
John Idol	ELK KNOB—
Beach Keller	Walter Johnson
Vaught Mast	FOREST GROVE—
Harrison Moretz	Ernest Roark
James Storie	Burl Isaacs
Andrew J. Williams	James Hagaman
Tom Wright	E. R. Eggers
Linney Payne	A. C. Williams
Burke M. Smith	GAP CREEK—
R. D. Hodges, Jr.	Paul Welch
John J. Conway, (Deceased)	Joseph Mitchell
James Farthing	Willard Lookabill
Blaine Miller	Royce Lookabill
Bruce Angel	HOWARD'S CREEK—
J. V. Caudill, Jr.	Ernest Brown
G. Perry Greene	William Brown
Lloyd Isaacs, Jr.	Steve Brown
Clint Cannon	Fields Baker
BROOKSIDE—	Jake Miller
Ronard L. Coffey	Council Norris
BRUSHY FORK—	Ransom Greene
Cline Walker	Howard Norris
Hoyle Hayes	Maston Norris
Willis Swift	James Cottrell
CLARK'S CREEK—	Frank Norris
Frank Lawrence	Ned Norris
Marvin Lawrence	Alton Cook

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J. D. Cook  
LAUREL SPRINGS—  
Gordon Brown  
Joe Coffey, Jr.  
Russell Greene  
Ralph Greene  
Larnie Greene  
Roy Greer  
Albert Greene  
Frank Miller  
Albert Holdman  
Clyde Ray, Jr.  
Frank White  
Ronda Ray  
Opie Wilburn  
Dexter Watson  
Earl Watson  
Alden Watson  
MOUNTAIN DALE—  
Fred Moody  
Bill Cornett  
MOUNT CALVARY—  
Ralph Arnett  
David Droughn  
John Carver  
Chester Greer  
Hugh Gaultney  
Carson Guy  
Glenn Preswood  
Ernest Shoemaker  
Jack Shook  
Paul Chappell  
Bill Treadway  
Ord Shoemaker  
Joe Hodges  
Tate Hodges  
MOUNT GILEAD—  
Odis Reese  
Dean Lawrence  
Donal Reece  
Hurshel Greenwell  
Cecil D. Isaacs  
Shelly Presnell  
Dentis Younce  
MOUNT LEBANON—  
Charlie Minton

Charlie Greer  
Maston Hodges  
Carol Eggers  
Henry Harmon  
Reece Danner  
Charlie Hodges  
Claude Bentley  
John Hartley  
OAK GROVE—  
Howard Barnes  
Henry Bentley  
Ralph Beshears  
Ernest Hodges  
Grady Hodges  
Ted Hodges  
Frank Keller  
James Norris  
J. D. Teague  
Jack Ward  
John Ward  
PLEASANT GROVE—  
Everett Eggers  
Bynum Dancy  
Denver Dancy  
Charlie South  
Frank Sanders  
Lewis Williams  
Gray Winebarger  
Ross Winebarger  
Archie Isaacs  
Clyde Johnson  
Lloyd Isaacs  
Vaughn Greer  
William Greer  
Fred Greene  
Dave Pennell  
Robert Perry  
MEAT CAMP—  
Forest Greene  
Earl Greene  
Claude Greene  
Bonard Greene  
Walter Brown  
Jessie Brown  
Arvil Brown  
Richard Cheeks

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- John Clawson  
Turner Gross  
Edward Winebarger  
Earl Jones  
Alexander Wilson
- MIDDLE FORK—  
Perry Ashley  
Donald Triplett  
Neil Ashley  
Cecil Shore  
J. Lee Shore  
Lewis Hodges  
Jack Shore  
Ronald Story
- POPLAR GROVE—  
Kenneth Dotson  
Don Dotson  
Robert Pitts  
Roy Williams  
Warren Dotson  
Carl Presnell  
William Maltba  
John Winkler  
James Dotson
- PROFFIT GROVE—  
Buell Bentley  
James Eller  
Bernard Hodgson  
Arlie Miller  
Glenn Proffit  
Estes Winebarger  
Alfred Woodring  
Ralph Woodring
- RICH MOUNTAIN—  
Baxter Culler  
Odell Culler  
Wray Beach
- RUTHERWOOD—  
Baxter Michael  
Emory J. Hardin  
Edwin Church  
Melvin Norris  
Dorman Norris  
Alfonzo L. Baird, Jr.  
Archie Carroll
- SHULLS MILLS—  
Billie Davis  
Ted Davis  
Paul Day  
Crate Teague  
Dennis Teague
- SOUTH FORK—  
Burel McGuire  
John T. Trivette  
Lessell Toliver  
Page Trivette
- STONY FORK—  
Berl V. Greene  
Ransom Smith  
Earl G. Greene  
Hooper Greene  
Lawrence Shirley  
Charles Greene  
Vest Greene  
Austin Greene  
Edward Wellborn  
George Wellborn  
Curtis Greene  
Rufus Watson  
Johnson Wellborn  
Ledford Cook
- THREE FORKS—  
Glenn Carroll  
Arthur Coffey  
Herman Coffey  
Johnny Holler  
Roland Holler  
Farthing Hayes  
Milton Moretz
- TIMBERED RIDGE—  
Lloyd Dishman  
Ivan Dishman  
Clyde Greene  
Roy Lee Greene  
Ray Hammond  
Albert Ward
- UNION—  
Dewey Thomas  
Russell Thomas  
Lee Thomas  
Grant Thomas  
Glenn Dishman

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Jack Grogan  
Earl Combs  
Burl Thomas  
J. M. Burkett, Jr.

WILLOWDALE—

Russell Atkins  
Lenwood Blair  
Brady Campbell  
Shelton Dugger  
Dottie Glenn  
Earl Henson  
Paul Hicks  
Albert Hicks  
Frank Hicks

WILLOW VALLEY—

Paul Tester  
Everett Tester

ZION HILL—

Lonnie Harmon  
Paul Trivett  
Charlie Trivett  
Earl Ward

Floyd Ward

ZIONVILLE—

Ernest E. Eggers  
Glenn Wallace  
Wade Wallace  
Leroy Wilson  
Edward Wilson  
N. J. Greer, Jr.  
Hugh Reece  
Raymon Miller  
Tom Reece  
James Lookabill

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**PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
THREE FORKS WOMANS MISSIONARY UNION**

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Baptist Association met in its Thirtieth Annual Session with Oak Grove Baptist Church May 5, 1943. The Theme—CHRIST PREEMINENT.

The Session opened by singing the W. M. U. hymn of the year, "All Hail the Power." After repeating in unison the watchword, "That all the earth may know that Thou art the Lord, even Thou only," Mrs. W. M. Gerald led the devotional. Mrs. Carter Farthing extended greetings to all to which Mrs. Hattie S. Lewis responded.

Mrs. S. F. Horton, Chairman of Community Missions, gave her report and in the discussion of it stressed soul winning, urging every woman to become a soul winner.

The report on Mission Study was made by the Chairman, Mrs. J. C. Canipe who used I Timothy 4:13 as a basis for her message.

To the roll call the following societies reported with the number of their delegates present: Blowing Rock 4, Boone 20, Cove Creek 9, Meat Camp 2, Mount Calvary 2, Oak Grove 17, Poplar Grove 5, Stony Fork 7, Zion Hill 7. One new society, Beech Valley, was reported but had no delegates present.

The following ministers and visitors were recognized: Rev. G. A. Hamby, Miss Mary Currin, State Young People's Leader from Raleigh.

The Treasurer made the following report:

Balance May 21, 1942	-----	\$ 4.90	
Received for Minute Fund	-----	6.10	
Received as Sup. to Minute Fund	-----	5.80	16.80
Paid out for Printing of Minutes	-----		16.80

An offering was taken for the printing of the minutes amounting to \$7.79

The Superintendent reported 11 societies and 12 young peoples organizations which gave a total of \$614.83 to missions last year; also 103 letters written in the interest of W. M. U. and 1 new society organized.

The following Committees were appointed by the Superintendent:

NOMINATIONS—Mrs. J. L. Qualls, Mrs. A. E. Moretz, Mrs. R. S. Swift, Mrs. Osborne Harmon, Mrs. James B. Mast and Mrs. S. C. Eggers.

RESOLUTIONS—Mrs. Dave P. Mast, Mrs. Grace S. Bingham.

RECOMMENDATIONS—Mrs. J. J. Coffey and Mrs. Herman R. Eggers.

OBITUARIES—Mrs. Fred Hartley and Mrs. Don C. Perry.

TIME AND PLACE—Mrs. Len Cook and Mrs. Roxie Austin.

Miss Mary Currin introduced Mrs. E. H. Tipton, Missionary to China for 33 years, who brought a wonderful message on the conditions and work in China.

The morning session was dismissed by prayer by Miss Mary Currin.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

The program for the afternoon was given by the Young Peoples' organizations with their leader, Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, in charge.

The devotional by Nannie Helen Greene was followed with a trio, "I'll Go Where You Want Me To Go" by Alma and Marlene Hodges and Kathleen Berry.

An open conference was conducted by Miss Mary Currin explaining and stressing the standard of excellence.

The Boone young people presented the feature, "The Open Bible," with Theresa Brown as leader. A poem, "The World's Bible" was given by Lloyd Lee Rogers followed by special music.

Carson Perry of Cove Creek gave a poem, "Did You Think To Pray" Shirley Max Swift told the story of the prayer song, "Into My Heart," after which Betty Joe Miller and Zela Gragg sang it.

Eighteen young people from Boone and six from Cove Creek were present for the program.

Miss Mary Currin presided over the business session.

The report on Nominations was accepted as read.

Superintendent ----- Mrs. S. C. Eggers, Boone  
Assistant Supt. ----- Mrs. J. L. Qualls, Boone  
Secretary-Treasurer ----- Mrs. Don C. Perry, Sherwood  
Young Peoples' Leader ----- Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville  
Community Mission Chairman Mrs. Herman R. Eggers, Boone  
Literature and Library Chm. ----- Mrs. B. R. Page, Boone  
Stewardship Chairman ----- Mrs. J. C. Canipe, Boone  
Margaret Fund Chm. ----- Mrs. S. F. Horton, Sugar Grove

Mrs. J. J. Coffey read the report on Recommendations and the report was accepted.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

Recognizing our duties as Christians and our opportunities as laborers together with God, we recommend that we pray: 1. For a more vital faith and a more earnest zeal among our church members; 2. For peace among the nations.

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We recommend that we study: 1. The Bible as a guide for our lives; 2. The W. M. U. Year Book as a guide as to methods in our W. M. U. Work; 3. Community Missions with the aim of becoming a greater blessing in our communities.

We recommend that we give: 1. More liberally to the Hundred Thousand Club; 2. More faithfully to all our mission causes in order to speed the day when all the kingdoms of the earth will know that our God is the Lord.

Mrs. J. J. Coffey

Mrs. Herman R. Eggers

The report on Resolutions was read by Mrs. Don C. Perry and was adopted as read.

### RESOLUTIONS

We the members of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Association who have met in this our Thirtieth Annual Session thank our Heavenly Father for the Christian fellowship here today. Let us go more enthusiastically into the privilege of Bible Study, Prayer and Community Missions. May we determine to be "Laborers together with God" in every way to bring His kingdom in. Therefore be it resolved:

1. That we express with love and gratitude to the women of Oak Grove Church our appreciation for the gracious hospitality shown us throughout the meeting.

2. That we express our thanks to the officers for their splendid services during the past year and pledge our continued prayers and cooperation.

3. That we pray earnestly during these trying times of war that God will guide us and that His will may be done.

4. That we extend our best wishes to our visitors and invite them to meet with us again.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Dave P. Mast

Mrs. Grace S. Bingham

The report on Obituaries was read by Mrs. Don C. Perry and was accepted as read.

### IN MEMORIAM

We bow in humble submission to the will of God knowing that He doeth all things well. Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved families of each of the following:

Boone W. M. S., Mrs. Susan Greene

Cove Creek W. M. U., Mrs. Enoch Swift

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Fred Hartley

Mrs. Don C. Perry

Mrs. Len Cooke made the report on Time and Place as follows and the report was accepted:

PLACE—Boone Baptist Church

TIME—May 1944.

Miss Currin presented plans for five workers from Raleigh to be in our Association July 24-31, 1943, to help with Mission Study and organization of new societies and young peoples' organizations.

A rising vote of thanks was given Mrs. D. P. Coffey for her faithful services during her years as Superintendent.

An offering of \$5.00 was given Mrs. W. H. Tipton by a faithful W. M. U. member in appreciation of her services as a Missionary.

The Thirtieth Annual Session was closed with prayer by Mrs. W. M. Gerald.

Mrs. D. P. Coffey, Superintendent

Mrs. Don C. Perry, Secretary



# Statistical Tables Begin





TABLE 2—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL SUPT. C. J. Farthing, Boone	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Cradle Roll, Under 3	Beginners, 3-5 Years	Primaries, 6-8 Years	Juniors, 9-12 Years	Intermediates, 13-16	Young People, 17-24	Adults, 25 and Up	Extension Dept.	Gen., Dept. Officers	Tot. Enr'm't, Officers, Teachers, Pupils	What Is Av. Attend.?	Baptisms from S. S.	Is the School Graded?	Teachers Holding Dip.	Enrment Vac. School	Av. Att. Vac. School
Antioch	W. J. Farthing, Sugar Grove.		8	14	13	15	16	8	16	8	9	77	54	10	..	..	..	..
Beaver Dam	Frank P. Wilson, Reese.		22	14	13	24	30	41	..	..	..	144	100	5	..	..	..	..
Beech Valley	Sam L. Ward, Beech Creek.		15	16	10	6	20	..	..	..	..	67	36	..	..	..	..	..
Bethany	M. P. Ward, Balm.		4	8	12	9	18	25	..	..	7	83	50	..	..	..	..	..
Bethel	M. H. Edmisten, Sugar Grove.		25	20	25	15	50	40	..	..	2	177	98	7	..	..	..	..
Blowing Rock	J. H. Winkler, Blowing Rock.		6	7	20	12	8	32	..	..	..	85	43	..	..	..	..	..
Boone	D. B. Dougherty, Boone.		76	14	31	55	54	95	102	18	14	459	231	70	..	18	60	50
Brookside	Orville Greer, Buffalo Cove.		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	30	..	..	..	..	..	..
Brushy Fork	Lee Anderson, Vilas.		19	15	16	12	12	26	44	..	..	144	97	..	..	..	..	..
Clark's Creek	W. C. Smith, Banner Elk.		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	75	..	..	..	..	..
Cool Springs	W. W. Austin, Shulls Mills.		12	..	7	..	..	18	25	..	..	62	50	..	..	..	..	..
Cove Creek	Mrs. S. F. Horton, Sugar Grove.		16	19	16	27	30	38	95	..	..	241	86	6	..	58	50	..
Elk Knob	Frank Main, Tanarak.		10	15	15	30	15	..	..	..	..	85	..	..	..	..	..	..
Forest Grove	J. G. Johnson, Reese.		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Gap Creek	Russell Wellborn, Deep Gap.		12	10	11	23	20	20	..	..	..	96	..	..	..	..	..	..
Howards Creek	Homer Lane, Boone.		..	..	16	10	14	15	..	..	..	55	40	..	..	..	..	..
Laurel Springs	Allie Watson, Laxton.		9	16	10	38	60	60	..	..	..	216	81	..	..	..	..	..
Meat Camp	Warren Greene, Zionville.		7	9	10	11	16	22	25	..	9	109	50	..	..	..	..	..
Middle Fork	H. G. Cook, Blowing Rock.		7	9	6	16	17	20	25	..	10	110	..	3	..	..	..	..
Mount Calvary	Ira Hodges, Banner Elk.		18	12	7	17	17	49	..	..	6	106	90	..	..	..	..	..
Mountain Dale	Clyde Cornett, Reese.		14	6	6	14	16	18	..	..	8	82	75	..	..	..	..	..
Mount Gilead	Smith Eggers, Heaton.		12	..	11	..	17	16	..	..	2	58	40	..	..	..	..	..
Mount Lebanon	Clarence Earp, Vilas.		9	12	11	16	10	17	..	..	..	75	75	..	..	..	..	..
Oak Grove	L. M. Hodges, Adams.		23	18	19	20	15	28	50	..	20	193	100	9	..	..	..	..
Pleasant Grove	I. B. Wilson, Zionville.		15	19	17	27	35	22	45	..	..	200	152	..	..	..	..	..
Poplar Grove	Mrs. R. L. Beshears, Shulls Mills.		..	22	15	30	30	30	..	..	3	150	80	11	..	..	..	..
Profit Grove	Arlie Proffit, Zionville.		16	..	26	17	37	34	..	..	..	130	65	2	..	..	..	..
Rich Mountain	T. O. Eggers, Zionville.		10	8	10	10	15	15	..	..	6	49	40	..	..	..	..	..





TABLE 3—BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTOR H. R. Eggers, Boone										Tot. Systematic Givers				
	Adult Unions	Young Peop. Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Tot. Unions, St. Hrs.	Adults Enrolled	Young Peop. Enroll'd	Intermediates Enroll'd	Juniors Enrolled		Story Hours Enrolled	Tot. En, Un, St. Hrs.	Daily Bible Readers	No. Tak. Study Course
Bethany.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	17	17	20	10	17	10	5	10	
Boone.....	1	2	1	1	1	5	18	40	15	93	50	93	50	65	
Cove Creek.....	1	1	1	1	1	5	8	9	15	9	5	46	31	31	
Laurel Springs.....	1	1	1	1	1	3	15	20	14	14	63	63	31	31	
Oak Grove.....	1	1	1	1	1	4	27	31	21	16	95	95	31	31	
Pleasant Grove.....	1	1	1	1	1	4	7	7	10	8	9	34	31	31	
South Fork.....	1	1	1	1	1	2	23	23	8	31	18	9	20	20	
Stony Fork.....	1	1	1	1	1	4	16	16	24	22	10	72	19	19	
TOTALS	6	6	5	7	4	28	91	109	108	102	40	451	97	44	95

TABLE FOUR — W. M. U. ORGANIZATIONS AND GIFTS

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL SUPT.										Total W. M. U. Orgs.	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A.'s Members	G. A.'s Members	R. A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Mem. Enrolled	Tot. En. Miss. St. Crse	Contributions (Local Work) by W. M. U.		Contributions (Mis- sions) by W. M. U.
	Number of W. M. S.	Number of Y. W. A.'s	Number of G. A.'s	Number of R. A.'s	Number of Sunbeams	Number of W. M. U. Orgs.	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A.'s Members	G. A.'s Members	R. A.'s Members									Sunbeam Members	Total Mem. Enrolled	
Beech Valley.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	17	1	17	1	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	85.70	19.76	105.46	
Blowing Rock.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	25	1	25	1	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25.00	47.44	72.44	
Boone.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	75	2	77	1	75	143	79	16	17	143	79	722.00	268.61	990.61	
Cove Creek.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	40	1	41	1	40	16	25	29	17	127	49	51.52	129.69	181.21	
Meat Camp.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	23	1	24	1	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	40.51	3.55	44.06	
Mount Calvary.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	1	13	1	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	275.00	250.00	525.00	
Oak Grove.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	1	21	1	20	10	10	30	30	30	30	275.00	250.00	525.00	
Poplar Grove.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	16	1	17	1	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	100.50	43.15	143.65	
Stony Fork.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	19	1	20	1	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	69.94	8.09	78.03	
Willow Valley.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	1	12	1	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	75.00	20.45	95.45	
Zion Hill.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	1	13	1	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	44.76	112.96	157.72	
<b>TOTALS.....</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1489.93</b>	<b>939</b>	<b>2429.86</b>	

TABLE SIX—CHURCH PROPERTY

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	What Materials Were Used?	No. Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rooms	No. Sep. Class Rooms	Value Church House and Grounds	Value Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Amount of Insurance Carried
Antioch.....	Doughton Greene, Sugar Grove.....	Yes	1903	Wood	300	1			2500		2500		
Beaver Dam.....	C. B. Reese, Trade, Tenn.....	Yes	1924	Wood	350	1		6	3800		3800		
Beech Valley.....	Geo. M. Harmon, Beech Creek.....	Yes	1941	Wood	600	7	1	7	5000		5000	150	
Bethany.....	M. P. Ward, Balm.....	Yes	1898	Wood	150	1			1000		1000		
Bethel.....	Bert Farthing, Sugar Grove.....	Yes	1924	Brick	450	9			5000		5000		
Blowing Rock.....	Mrs. L. A. Holler, Blowing Rock.....	Yes	1924	Wood	250	8	1	8	17000		17000		
Boone.....	H. W. Wilcox, Boone.....	Yes	1929	Brick	850	47	6	41	75000	7500	82500	14500	11500
Brookside.....	Mrs. Eunice Greer, Buffalo Cove.....	Yes	1938	Wood	400	1			2500		2500		
Brushy Fork.....	Mrs. Dora Greene, Villas.....	Yes	1881	Wood	300	6	1	5	4000		4000		
Clark's Creek.....	Harston Coffey, Banner Elk.....	Yes	1941	Wood	300	1			3000		3000		
Cool Springs.....	E. E. Carlton, Blowing Rock.....	Yes	1910	Wood	300	1			1000		1000		
Cove Creek.....	Mrs. Hattie S. Lewis, Sherwood.....	Yes	1923	Brick	400	11	1	10	10000	4000	14000		3000
Elk Knob.....	W. C. South, Tamarack.....	Yes	1890	Wood	200	1			500		500		
Forest Grove.....	Mack Johnson, Villas.....	Yes	1897	Wood	450	8	1	7	1400		1400		
Gap Creek.....	Russel Welborn, Deep Gap.....	Yes	1882	Wood	300	5	1	4	1500		1500		
Howards Creek.....	L. F. Cottrell, Boone.....	Yes	1900	Wood	400	3	1	2	1000		1000		
Laurel Springs.....	Clifford Ray, Laxton.....	Yes	1938	Brick	300	1			6000		6000		
Meat Camp.....	M. C. Brown, Boone.....	Yes	1927	Wood	400	9	1	4	5000		5000		
Mountain Dale.....	Homer E. Shoemaker, Balm.....	Yes	1905	Wood	300	1			2000		2000		
*Mount Calvary.....	C. F. Moody, Reese.....	Yes	1933	Brick	400	6	1	5	10000	3000	13350	4000	
Mountain Dale.....	W. L. Greenwell, Heaton.....	Yes	1943	Wood	200	1			2000		2000		
Mount Lebanon.....	Clarence Earp, Villas.....	Yes	1891	Wood	300	1			2000		2000		
Oak Grove.....	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams.....	Yes	1937	Brick	400	6	1	5	7200		7200		2000
Pleasant Grove.....	Roy Eggers, Zionville.....	Yes	1891	Wood	500	5	11	1500	1500		1500		
Poplar Grove.....	Collis Austin, Shulls Mills.....	Yes	1914	Wood	225	6	1	5	4000		4000		
Proffit Grove.....	L. E. Willson, Zionville.....	Yes	1919	Wood	300	4		4	2000		2000		
Rich Mountain.....	T. P. Beach, Zionville.....	Yes	1907	Wood	300	1			1000		1000		

Tabernacle.....	Yes	1922	Wood	300	5	1	4	1500	1500	1500
Three Forks.....	Yes	1912	Wood	300	5	1	4	2800	2800	2800
Timbered Ridge.....	Yes	1941	Wood	500	7	1	6	4500	4500	4500
Union.....	Yes	1923	Wood	300	5	1	4	3000	3000	3000
Willowdale.....	Yes	.....	Wood	200	1	.....	.....	1000	1000	1000
Willow Valley.....	Yes	1886	Wood	400	3	1	2	2000	2000	2000
Zion Hill.....	Yes	1926	Wood	300	7	1	6	5000	5000	5000
Zionville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTALS.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	206500	14800	221650
										18650
										20900

\*Mount Calvary has a Mission Chapel valued at \$350.

TABLE SEVEN — GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES						Total, Local Purposes, Given by Church and All Its Organizations
	Pastor's Salary Paid This Year	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs Spent This Year	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	
Antioch.....	179.85	.....	37.20	5.00	.....	25.00	386.92
Beaver Dam.....	281.72	.....	22.00	.....	.....	20.00	377.15
Beech Valley.....	201.27	.....	69.70	342.01	188.00	123.90	971.48
Bethany.....	116.42	10.19	30.00	.....	.....	13.00	222.86
Bethel.....	219.90	.....	108.25	1353.28	.....	270.80	2077.19
Blowing Rock.....	510.75	.....	151.35	.....	.....	42.65	752.64
Boone.....	2274.40	20.00	330.00	41.70	1178.97	902.01	5312.99
Brookside.....	30.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	34.50
Brushy Fork.....	138.50	.....	20.00	.....	.....	52.25	434.92
Clark's Creek.....	100.00	.....	.....	81.00	.....	18.00	246.76
Cool Springs.....	107.10	21.78	.....	.....	7.88	33.50	198.59
Cove Creek.....	662.50	5.00	80.00	162.11	123.64	175.94	1331.54
Elk Knob.....	79.10	.....	20.00	.....	.....	15.00	119.10
Forest Grove.....	137.00	.....	.....	359.34	.....	10.20	531.84
Gap Creek.....	200.00	.....	21.00	.....	.....	12.00	264.50
Howards Creek.....	150.75	.....	23.70	.....	.....	13.35	215.51
Laurel Springs.....	315.08	.....	35.23	.....	.....	61.41	472.15
Meat Camp.....	224.10	.....	.....	44.11	.....	58.53	8.80
Middle Fork.....	180.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	43.75	356.47
Mount Calvary.....	520.00	.....	97.38	.....	333.71	128.99	1178.24
Mountain Dale.....	152.41	.....	15.35	853.18	.....	36.74	1101.69
Mount Gilead.....	148.41	15.34	38.80	.....	.....	7.95	231.15
Mount Lebanon.....	165.62	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19.07
Oak Grove.....	260.00	.....	90.86	21.65	540.00	131.38	215.83
Pleasant Grove.....	267.01	.....	74.00	.....	.....	87.50	548.21
Poplar Grove.....	209.72	.....	30.25	233.35	.....	50.65	611.66
Profit Grove.....	85.50	.....	45.57	74.04	.....	17.93	264.66
W. A. Profit Zionville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Zionville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES

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**SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE 1945  
SESSION**

THEME: "He that Winneth Souls Is Wise"

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 28, 1945**

- 9:30- 9:55—Devotional and Roll Call
- 9:55-10:15—Address of Moderator
- 10:15-11:00—Temperance
- 11:00-11:30—Religious Literature
- 11:30-11:45—Announcements and Miscellaneous
- 11:45-12:30—Annual Sermon
- 1:30- 1:45—Devotional

**Noon Recess**

- 1:45 -2:00—Missions
- 3:00- 3:45—Christian Education (Colleges, Sunday Schools,  
B. T. U.)
- 3:45- 4:00—Closing Worship

**Night Session**

- 8:00 —Reports from all Churches by Pastors and Delegates

**WEDNESDAY-- AUGUST 29, 1945**

- 9:30- 9:45—Devotional
- 9:45-10:00—Obituaries
- 10:00-10:20—Report of Associational Missionary
- 10:20-10:40—Report of Associational Educational Director
- 10:40-11:05—Woman's Work
- 11:05-11:30—Report of Executive Committee
- 11:30-12:00—Associational Progress
- 12:00-12:15—Election of Officers

**Noon Recess**

- 1:15- 1:30—Devotional
- 1:30- 2:30—Benevolences (Mills Home, Hospital and Old  
Ministers' Relief)
- 2:30- 3:00—Reports: Treasurer, Finance, Nominations, Resolutions and Time, Place and Preacher.

3:00- 3:30—Miscellaneous and Reading Minutes

3:30- 3:45—Closing Worship.

**OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION**

J. C. Canipe, Moderator -----	Boone
G. A. Hamby, Vice-Moderator -----	Boone
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treasurer -----	Boone
Wm. J. Farthing, Historian -----	Sugar Grove
Gordon Hodges, Song Leader -----	Vilas
N. M. Greene, Associational Missionary -----	Boone
Miss Kathleen Frink, Asso. Educational Dr. -----	Boone

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

R. C. Eggers, Chairman -----	Zionville
W. D. Farthing, Treasurer -----	Boone
G. A. Hamby -----	Boone
N. M. Greene -----	Boone
Ben Lee Ray -----	Blowing Rock
J. C. Canipe -----	Boone
Clyde R. Greene -----	Boone
N. M. Greene, Chm. Promotion Comm. -----	Boone

**NOMINATIONS**

- Missions—G. A. Hamby and W. W. Wilson
- Religious Literature—A. E. Moretz and Wade Byers
- Associational Progress—D. M. Edmisten and Oscar Ward
- Benevolences—L. M. Hodges and Wilson Norris
- Temperance—Lawrence Hagaman and G. M. Watson
- Christian Education—Ronda Earp and Howard Shore
- Woman's Work—Mrs. S. C. Eggers and Mrs. B. F. Hodges
- Resolutions—Raymond Hendrix and N. T. Byers
- Obituaries—Bert Farthing and Elvin Cannon
- Sunday School Director—C. J. Farthing, Boone
- Orphanage Director—Russell D. Hodges, Boone
- B. T. U. Director—Wm. J. Farthing, Sugar Grove
- Hospital Director—W. C. Greene, Laxon
- Nominations—Moderator to Appoint
- Order of Business—Executive Committee
- Time, Place and Preacher—Moderator to Appoint

**BAPTIST TRAINING UNION ORGANIZATION**

Director ----- Wm. J. Farthing, Sugar Grove  
Assistant Director ----- H. W. Wilcox, Boone  
Secretary-Treas. ----- Kathrine Sherwood, Sugar Grove  
Adult Leader ----- C. J. Farthing, Boone  
Senior Leader ----- Mrs. Ernest Banner, Blowing Rock  
Intermediate Leader ----- Mrs. Hale Vance, Boone  
Junior Leader ----- Mrs. Odes Wilson, Zionville  
Group Leaders—Allie Watson, Deep Gap, Mrs. Maxie Edmisten, Vilas, Verna Bail, Sugar Grove, and Vance Culler, Adams  
Pastor Adviser ----- Ben Lee Ray, Blowing Rock

**W. M. U. ORGANIZATION**

Superintendent ----- Mrs. Andrew Morgan, Boone  
Assistant Supt. ----- Mrs. J. L. Qualls, Boone  
Secretary-Treas. ----- Mrs. Don. C. Perry, Sherwood  
Young People's Leader ----- Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville  
Community Missions Chm. ----- Mrs. H. R. Eggers, Boone  
Literature and Library Chm. ----- Mrs. W. C. Greer, Boone  
Stewardship Chmn. ----- Mrs. C. J. Farthing, Boone  
Mission Study Chm. ----- Mrs. J. C. Canipe, Boone  
Margaret Fund Chm. ----- Mrs. S. F. Horton, Sugar Grove

**SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZATION**

Superintendent ----- C. J. Farthing, Boone  
Assistant Supt. ----- H. W. Wilcox, Boone  
Secretary ----- Miss Marjorie Poole, Boone  
Group Leaders --E. Y. Edmisten, E. R. Mikeal, I. B. Wilson  
and Henry Hagaman  
Cradle Roll Leader ----- Mrs. H. W. Wilcox, Boone  
Beginners' Leader ----- Mrs. Don Perry, Sherwood  
Primary Leader ----- Mrs. J. C. Canipe, Boone  
Junior Leader ----- Mrs. Tommy Holloway, Shulls Mills  
Intermediate Leader ----- Mrs. Howard Gragg, Boone  
Young Peoples' Leader ----- Mrs. Ella Beshears, Boone  
Adult and Extension ----- Dr. J. T. C. Wright, Boone  
Vacation Bible Schools ----- Miss Margaret Adams, Sherwood

## ORDAINED MINISTERS

- ANTIOCH—Bynum Trivett, Sugar Grove.  
BETHANY—James Allen, Rominger; J. T. McGuire, Altapass  
BETHEL—E. J. Farthing, Sugar Grove  
BOWING ROCK—Ben Lee Ray, J. M. Hodges and Ed Lee  
Robbins, Blowing Rock  
BOONE—J. C. Canipe, Tipton Greene and G. M. Watson,  
Boone  
COOL SPRINGS—W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock; Howard Shore,  
Boone  
ELK KNOB—Hiram Phillips, Trout; Noah Johnson, Meat  
Camp  
LAUREL SPRINGS—W. C. Greene, Laxon; J. L. Greene, Deep  
Gap.  
MEAT CAMP—A. E. Moretz, Boone  
MIDDLE FORK—R. H. Shore and J. J. Matney, Blowing  
Rock  
MOUNT CALVARY—Ira Hodges, Banner Elk and Roby  
Painter, Balm  
MOUNT LEBANON—Ronda Earp, Vilas; T. T. Danner, Valle  
Crucis  
OAK GROVE—G. A. Hamby, Boone  
POPLAR GROVE—Clayton Greene, Shulls Mills  
RUTHERWOOD—A. B. Church, Boone  
STONY FORK—T. S. Robbins and H. H. Smith, Deep Gap  
TABERNACLE—N. M. Greene, Boone  
THREE FORKS—Raymond Hendrix and Bearol Culler, Boone  
ZION HILL—Lawrence Hagaman, Beech Creek; Thomas Stan-  
berry, Butler, Tenn.  
ZIONVILLE—R. C. Eggers

## LICENTIATES

- BETHANY—E. Y. Edmisten, A. T. Watson and Gold Hicks,  
Rominger  
BOONE—Baxter Howell, Vilas  
LAUREL SPRINGS—Ray Lee Greene, Deep Gap  
STONY FORK—Macon Greene, Stony Fork



**ROLL OF MESSENGERS**

- ANTIOCH—Bynum Trivett, Luther Ward and Dwight Cable.  
BEAVER DAM—Lee Swift, Clyde Robinson and C. B. Reese  
BEECH VALLEY—W. S. Harman, Sam Ward and George  
Harman  
BETHANY—A. T. Watson, Lee Ward and E. Y. Edmisten  
BETHEL—B. F. Breene, Carl Farthing and Bert Farthing  
BLOWING ROCK—  
BOONE—Clyde R. Greene, F. W. McCracken, and H. R. Eggers.  
BROOKSIDE—D. R. Ford, Orville Greer  
BRUSHY FORK—Earl Colvard, Coy Love and Lee Anderson  
CLARK'S CREEK—Harston Coffey, W. C. Smith and Joe  
Lawrence  
COOL SPRINGS—Burl Greene, E. E. Carlton and Mrs. W. C.  
Payne  
COVE CREEK—Mrs. Nora Mast, Mrs. D. F. Horton and Gor-  
don Sherwood  
ELK KNOB—Frank Main, Sam South and Lloyd Miller  
FOREST GROVE—Fred Hagaman, Dave Greene and W. E.  
Roark  
GAP CREEK—Russell Welborn, A. G. Miller and Clyde  
Moretz  
HOWARD'S CREEK—Gurney Norris, W. L. Brown and L. F.  
Cottrell  
LAUREL SPRINGS—Blan Wagner, Joe Coffey and Lane Idol  
MEAT CAMP—Grady Wilson, W. H. Greene and Howard  
Gragg  
MIDDLE FORK—H. B. Triplett, Will Hayes and T. C. Hodges  
MOUNT CALVARY—Tom Perry, Homer Shoemaker and F. F.  
Lawrence  
MOUNTAIN DALE—Chas. Phillips, Roby Cornett and Chas.  
Cornett  
MOUNT GILEAD—George Lawrence, Chas. Staten and B.  
Younce  
MOUNT LEBANON—John Earp, D. N. Minton and Clarence  
Earp  
OAK GROVE—C. J. Farthing, L. M. Hodges and Wm. Hodges

- PLEASANT GROVE—A. B. Culler, John Hagaman and Mrs. Emma Warren
- POPLAR GROVE—Mrs. Frank Brown, Mrs. T. C. Hodges and Mrs. Collis Austin
- PROFFIT GROVE—W. A. Proffit, Frank Winebarger and L. E. Wilson
- RICH MOUNTAIN—Frank Culler, Robert Ragan and Martin Moretz
- RUTHERWOOD—S. D. Brown, Earl Bodenhammer and Mrs. F. H. Michael.
- SHULLS MILLS—J. B. Reed, Mont Teague and Fred Hatley
- SOUTH FORK—E. R. Mikael, J. S. Brown and W. F. Norris
- STONY FORK—Clinard Greene, Joe Wellborn and Arthur Greene
- TABERNACLE—Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Brown and Mrs. Lloyd Stanberry
- THREE FORKS—A. J. Edmisten, Bearol Culler and Ellis Coffey
- TIMBERED RIDGE—A. C. Greene, John Ward and Wade Greene
- UNION—W. M. Thomas, J. F. Oliver and J. W. H. Anderson
- WILLOWDALE—Fred Blair, Roy Hicks and Tom Lawrence
- WILLOW VALLEY—G. C. Ward, Belva Cable and Fred Greene
- ZION HILL—C. S. Trivett, M. A. Ward and Graydon Hagaman
- ZIONVILLE—N. T. Byers, E. H. Wilson and W. A. Stephen

## Constitution

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who, on producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, the ministers being members ex-officio.

2. In the letters from the different churches is to be expressed their numbers in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed by letter, excommunicated and dead since last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any

special power over the churches. They shall not infringe any internal right of any church in this Union.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and clerk, who shall be chosen annually by the suffrage of the members present.

5. New churches, or any regular church of Christ being legally dismissed by letter by any sister Association, upon application and delegates, shall be admitted to our Union.

6. Every church in the Association shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

7. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be once read and before it is debated the Moderator shall put it to a vote, and if there is a majority for it being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and be debated, but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of their proceedings. The best method of accomplishing this purpose shall be at the direction of the future Associations.

10. We think it is absolutely necessary that we should have an Associational fund for defraying the expense of the same. For the raising and supporting of which we think it to be the duty of each church in the Union to contribute annually such sums as they shall think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association. The money thus raised shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer, appointed by the Association, who shall be accountable for the same. He shall pay the money out from time to time as the Association may direct.

11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for his services.

12. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needs be, and signed by the Moderator and the Clerk before the Association rises.

13. Amendments to the plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association when they deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months prior notice.

14. The Association shall have power:

To provide for the general union of the churches.

To endeavor to preserve a chain of union amongst the churches.

To give the churches the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

- To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association.
- To appropriate the money contributed by the churches for an Associational fund to any purpose they may think proper.
- To have power to withdraw from any church in their Union who shall violate the rules of this Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.
- To correspond with sister Associations.
- To invite any Baptist in the ministry to a seat in the Association, who may be present at the time of their sitting.
- To adjourn the Association to any future time and place they may think proper and most convenient to the churches of the Union.

## Rules Of Decorum

- 1.. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.
3. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect upon the person who spoke before him as to make remarks on his steps, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state the matter as he can do so as to give his views or ideas.
4. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.
5. No person shall rise and speak more than three times to any one subject without liberty from the Association.
6. No member shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same or whispering in the time of public speaking .
7. No member shall address another in any other appellation than that of brother.
8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.
9. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as required by the Association.
10. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any of the other members, provided the chair be filled. He shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.



# Proceedings

of the

**THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

Held With

**BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH**

Sugar Grove, N. C.

**FIRST DAY**

**Tuesday, August 29, 1944**

**Morning Session**

1. The One Hundred Fourth Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina convened with Bethel Baptist Church, Sugar Grove, N. C. August 29th, 1944 at 9:45 A. M.

2. Wm. Hodges led the opening song service and R. C. Eggers offered prayer.

3. The Moderator, S. C. Eggers, called the One Hundred Fourth Session to order for the transaction of business.

4. The Clerk called the roll of churches and twenty responded. The Clerk reported that all forty churches of the Association had sent letters.

5. The Moderator delivered his Annual Address which emphasized the theme of the Session, "Back to Bethel." He reminded us that "Back to Bethel" means to repent of our mistakes and get back to fundamentals in Christian work.

6. The Clerk brought the report of the Executive Committee on Order of Business for the Session. This report was adopted upon motion by R. C. Eggers with the amendment that the Moderator have power to make any changes therein found to be desirable or necessary.

7. Smith Hagaman, Superintendent of the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem, N. C. spoke on the work of this and other Baptist service institutions. In his address he referred



to the present trend toward the taking over of all service institutions by the Government. He took the position that unless the Denominational institutions give something above and beyond what the State can give there is no reason for their existence. He continued his address by pointing out that if the Baptist Denomination is to continue to thrive we must operate service institutions that go above and beyond what the State can give. We have the message of eternal life and our institutions must really be Christian.

8. After singing, "How Firm a Foundation," the report on Temperance was read by Howard Shore who led the discussion. G. M. Watson continued the discussion and the report was adopted.

### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We were attacked at Pearl Harbor by two deadly enemies, the Japanese Empire and the Empire of Liquor. We immediately declared war on the Japanese but we made, first an armistice and then peace with liquor. For six weeks all beer and alcohol was removed and then it flooded Pearl Harbor and all the rest of the Allied World except Russia. Japan attacked us from the outside and the entire nation arose to see that she was defeated, but liquor attacking from the inside is now our worst enemy.

M. L. A. Martin, leader of the Allied League for Temperance, declared recently in a public speech, "No voice of protest against our worst enemy, liquor, has been raised in the capitol of our state in North Carolina or in the capitol of our nation in Washington." He meant, of course, those in authority in government.

Christian churches and gospel ministers will have to put on the whole armor of God and go to battle against this chief enemy of our nation. Politicians cannot be trusted for they will sell out the best interests of our people to the highest bidder. Citizens of heaven and earth will have to exert their rights by prayer, education, soul winning and right voting to put out this evil with all the politicians who have sold out to the devil and liquor.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Canipe

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9. The Moderator recognized the following visitors: Henry Crisp, Caldwell Association; M. H. Kendall, French Broad Association and Mars Hill College; Mr. and Mrs. G. W.

Gragg and Wm. Brown, Stony Fork Association; Victoria Farthing Greene, McMinn Association, Tenn.; Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Greene, Holston Association, Tenn. and J. R. Anderson, Briar Creek Association.

10. Ben Lee Ray, Pastor of Blowing Rock, and Miss Kathleen Frink, Associational Education Director, were introduced.

11. The Moderator appointed the following committees:

NOMINATIONS—R. C. Eggers, C. J. Farthing and E. R. Milkeal.

FINANCE—A. E. Moretz, L. M. Hodges and A. E. Trivett.

TIME, PLACE and PREACHER—H. R. Eggers, Fred Hagan and Wm. Hodges.

12. G. A. Hamby offered the report on Religious Literature. After a motion to adopt the report was discussed by G. A. Hamby, A. E. Moretz and Roby Painter and was adopted.

#### REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

“Blessed is he that readeth” Rev. 1:3. In carrying out this injunction we should exercise care in the selection of our reading materials. Certainly the Bible as the foundation of all good literature, should come first. Then we recommend the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children and the Commission in order to keep up with the Baptist work in our state and around the world. The Sunday School literature published by our Sunday School Board should be used by all our people. We must urge our people to read less of the trashy which corrupt and demoralize by providing them with good literature. Our churches should establish libraries with this in mind.

Respectfully submitted,

G. A. Hamby

Raymond Hendrix

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13. The Moderator presented M. H. Kendall who discusses Christian Education. He also spoke of Mars Hill College.

14. The next order of business being the Annual Sermon Raymond Hendrix was recognized and he took charge of the service. The congregation sang, “Jesus Lover of My Soul” and D. M. Edmisten led in prayer. Bro. Hendrix then brought a Scriptural lesson from the 10th chapter of Luke. He announced as his subject, “The Call of a Suffering World.” In his message the following were emphasized:

1. The world at this time certainly is broken and suffering.
2. Many places in the world are destitute of the Gospel.
3. The condition of our world has come about because of the greed for gain.
4. Many pass by on the other side and offer no help.
5. The good Samaritan recognized that help was needed and acted upon that knowledge.
6. The Church must recognize the needs of a broken and suffering world.
7. The Church must act intelligently upon that knowledge.
8. The Church has the only message that will heal a broken and suffering world.
9. The Church is composed of individuals so we must serve as such by giving ourselves to the Church in this program.
15. Ben Lee Ray led in prayer and the Association adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by J. A. Williams.

#### NOON RECESS

16. The Association reconvened at 1:30 P. M. D. M. Edmisten conducted the devotional service.
17. Cecil Glenn offered the report on Missions. After motion to adopt this subject was discussed by Cecil Glenn; M. A. Huggins, Secretary Baptist State Board; Miss. Kathleen Frink; and was adopted.

#### REPORT ON MISSIONS

In this day of modern devices of every sort we find that all the countries of the world have been brought very close together. Although they are near, the proper feeling does not exist between them. Today it is a feeling of hate, jealousy and misunderstanding. The Church and the Christian people in it are the only agents which can bring an everlasting goodwill between these neighbors.

In view of these facts, the Church of today is faced with new responsibilities which the Church of yesterday did not have. Distance and money are no longer problems, but what we do need is men and women who will dedicate their lives to the carrying of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all parts of the globe. When Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world," he was speaking to the Church and to the individuals who make up its membership. We are not all expected to go to foreign fields in person but we can go in spirit by giving our money and our prayers. We can spread the Gospel here

at home by giving to the Church regularly, using our talents properly, ministering to the needy, giving of our means and prayers and telling the people of our country of the wonderful power of our Savior's love.

Christian people, when mission offerings are taken, let us not forget those countless numbers of men, women and children in all parts of the world who are not only starving for material food, but for spiritual food as well. Here is a great opportunity to serve Jesus.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cecil Glenn

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18. Ben Lee Ray and H. R. Eggers brought the report on Christian Education. Upon motion to adopt the subject was discussed by Ben Lee Ray, H. R. Eggers, W. Y. Farthing and Miss Kathleen Frink and was adopted.

### REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

When Jesus gave the marching orders to his disciples one of His demands was to teach. What are Southern Baptists doing about this command?

Baptists have now in the South five types of schools; theological seminaries, three in number, for the education of the Christian ministry; one training school for women who are being trained for work in the home land or foreign fields; twenty-six colleges and universities; twenty-four junior colleges and eleven academies, making a total of sixty-five schools owned and operated by Southern Baptists. We have taken great steps forward, but I wonder if there is not danger of our looking at these steps we have taken and becoming satisfied with them. Surely we can see the need for Christian Education now as never before. Less than five per cent of the Baptist ministers in N. C. have a college education. I do not think this would be true if the Baptists of this state were awake to their possibilities and responsibilities. If all the Baptists of the state would give one cent per week each for one year enough money would be provided to give every Baptist minister in the state a college education. Surely we will awake to this great need and do something about it.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ben Lee Ray

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19. The congregation sang, 'On Jordan's Stormy Banks,' and the session adjourned, G. A. Hamby gave the benediction.

### Night Session

20. S. C. Eggers called the session to order and G. A. Hamby led the song service. Ed Farthing offered prayer and N. M. Greene, Chairman of the Promotion Committee, took charge of the session. Reports from all the churches were read and discussed by messengers and pastors.

21. I. G. Greer spoke briefly on the weak points of the reports.

22. The session adjourned, benediction by W. J. Farthing.

## SSECOND DAY

### Wednesday Morning

23. The Moderator called the Session to order at 9:45 A. M. After singing, "Jesus Paid It All," Dr. R. C. Gresham led in prayer. Thomas Stanberry conducted the opening worship.

24. The Clerk read the report on Obituaries and the Association stood silently in memory of the 43 of our members who have passed on since our last Session. R. C. Eggers offered prayer.

25. N. M. Greene, Associational Missionary, brought his report. After a motion to adopt the report was discussed by N. M. Greene, Tipton Greene, R. C. Eggers, S. C. Eggers and Roby Painter and was adopted.

## REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

During the past Associational year I have visited 24 Churches and about 500 homes. To do this I traveled 8000 miles. I have helped in 4 revival meetings. Seven churches and one individual have contributed as follows to thiswork:

S. C. Eggers .....	\$2.00
Boone .....	35.00
Beech Valley .....	4.75
Mount Calvary .....	4.44
Poplar Grove .....	10.00
Stony Fork .....	10.63
Zionville .....	3.25



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Zion Hill .....	1.00
Total .....	\$71.07
Received from revival and pastoral work .....	\$444.66
Total received .....	\$515.73

I have put back in to the churches more than the tenth of this amount.

Respectfully submitted,  
N. M. Greene, Missionary

26. Mrs. Elsie Morgan presented the report on Woman's Work and led the discussion. After further discussion by Miss Marjorie Toole, Student Secretary at A. S. T. C. Boone, N. C., Wm. Farthing and G. A. Hamby, the report was adopted.

### REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

As we, the women and young people of the Three Forks Association, accepted our watchword for the year, "That the Generation to Come Might Know," Psalm 78:6, surely we could not see and know the significance of it as the year with its rapid developments came on and the challenge it was to us to prepare for the post-war world. Our watchword becomes more challenging, more entreating, as we view the wonderful privilege before us. We are thankful for each and every one who has had a part in the task of laboring in His name and making each accomplishment possible. Surely it has been only through the combined efforts of all that our record is possible and we are sure they are working that our song for the year. "The Morning Light Is Breaking," may become a reality sooner.

We had a wonderful meeting in April with the Boone Baptist Church with many of the churches represented. It was a day full of helpful and informing reports and addresses. We have in the Association eleven Woman's Missionary Societies and Young Peoples' Organizations.

As the troublesome days go by, may we ever pray and so labor that our generation and "the generation to come" may know His wonderful works and goodness.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. J. Andrew Morgan

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27. The report on Benevolence was read by Bert Farthing. Dr. I. G. Greer, Superintendent of the N. C. Baptist Orphanage, discussed this report from the orphanage viewpoint. His message challenged our churches to greater efforts

in kingdom service. Bert Farthing, Clyde Greene, G. A. Hamby and Tipton Greene also spoke to this report and it was adopted.

**REPORT ON BENEVOLENCE**

North Carolina Baptists are justly proud of our Orphanage and of our hospital at Winston-Salem. May we continue in our efforts to support these institutions. We recommend that each church send an offering once each month to the Orphanage and a large offering at Thanksgiving. In addition we urge each family to subscribe to Charity and Children and keep informed about the work at the Orphanage.

At the present time our hospital at Winston-Salem is rendering an invaluable service to this part of the nation. We recommend that we increase our offerings to the hospital on Mother's Day so that the institution may serve more patients who so sorely need treatment.

Our old ministers who have retired should be amply provided for. May we continue our efforts to care for the aged servants of the Lord in a way commensurate with the services which they have rendered.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bert Farthing

28. The Clerk offered the report on Associational Progress. It was discussed by W. C. Greene and was adopted.

**REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL PROGRESS**

	1942-43	1943-44	Loss or Gain
Membership .....	6601	6735	134 Gain
Baptisms .....	332	192	140 Loss
Sunday Schools .....	4596	4734	138 Gain
B. T. U. ....	451	417	34 Loss
W. M. U. ....	435	399	36 Loss
Locan Contributions .....	\$27,391.45	\$40,963.51	\$13,572.06 Gain
Missions & Benevolences .....	5,963.83	7,359.82	1,395.99 Gain
Total Gifts .....	33,355.40	48,323.33	14,967.93 Gain

This year 38 churches gave to our Orphanage \$2,691.90, a loss of \$168.41. Also this year 39 churches gave to the Hospital \$945.60, a gain of \$147.35.

Respectfully submitted,  
N. M. GREENE.

29. Elections of officers being the next item of business the Moderator, S. C. Eggers, stated that he wanted some other

person elected Moderator this year.

30. G. A. Hamby nominated J. C. Canipe for Moderator and there being no further nominations, Clyde R. Greene moved that Dr. I. G. Greer cast the vote of the Association for J. C. Canipe for Moderator. The motion carried and Dr. Greer cast the vote as directed.

G. A. Hamby was elected Vice-Moderator, Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treas., W. J. Farthing Historian, Gordon Hodges Song Leader, C. J. Farthing assistant song leader, N. M. Greene Associational Missionary and Miss Kathleen Frink, Associational Educational Director.

31. The Association adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by W. C. Greene.

### Wednesday Afternoon Session

32. The Association reconvened at 1:30 P. M. J. G. Allen conducted the devotional service after Ben Lee Ray led in prayer.

33. The Clerk read the report of the Executive Committee and led the discussion. R. C. Eggers, S. C. Eggers, C. J. Farthing and G. A. Hamby discussed the report further and it was adopted.

### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Your Executive Committee has met three times during the past year to consider the business of the Association. The following recommendations are made for your consideration and the Committee hopes that you will give each of them your earnest consideration:

1. That our ministers and laymen be urged to always magnify the local church as the fundamental unit of the Christian Program, and that each church adopt and strictly adhere to the policy of not inviting any outside minister or other person to fill the pulpit without first getting the approval of the pastor or the Board of Deacons. It is the duty of the church to uphold the pastor as the fundamental leader of the church in the community.

2. We recommend that the Three Forks Association employ a full time Educational Director. The Association agrees to pay one-half the salary of such a worker and the State Mission Board one-half.

3. We recommend that all our churches cover their property with fire insurance.

4. We recommend that all our churches adopt the budget sys

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tem of finance and that an every member canvass be put on.

5. In keeping with the theme of this Session we recommend that all our churches reemphasize evangelism in cooperation with the other churches throughout the Southern Baptist Convention. We realize that the responsibilities of the Church will be greatly increased as our servicemen and women as well as the war workers return to their homes. We should meet this opportunity.

Respectfully submitted,  
Clyde R. Greene, Secretary

34. Dr. R. C. Gresham was recognized as a visitor from the Colquit County Ga. Association.

35. The Treasurer submitted his report as follows which was adopted:

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

RECEIPTS:

Special Collection .....	\$ 13.66	
Minute Fund .....	156.37	
Special Fund .....	11.00	
W. M. U. for Minutes .....	12.50	\$193.53

DISBURSEMENTS:

O. D. from last year .....	8.31	
Henry Crisp .....	5.35	
Minutes .....	140.00	
Cuts .....	4.00	
Postage .....	3.69	
Freight on Minutes .....	3.38	
Programs .....	4.00	
Clerk .....	20.00	188.73

Balance .....	\$4.80
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Clyde R. Greene, Treasurer

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.....

Received for Minute Fund .....	\$162.09
Paid to Treasurer .....	\$162.09

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. Trivette

A. E. Moretz

L. M. Hodges



36. A. E. Trivette brought the report of the Finance Committee and the report was adopted.

37. R. C. Eggers read the Report on Nominations and it was adopted. This report will be found in the Associational Directory in this minute.

38. Thomas Stanberry brought the report on Resolutions which was adopted.

### REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS the Bethel Church and community have entertained the One Hundred Fourth Session of the Three Forks Association in a wonderful manner, now therefore be it resolved:

1. That we express our sincere thanks for this hospitality by a standing vote.

2. That we covenant with them to give our best services to Christ and His cause during the ensuing year.

WHEREAS S. C. Eggers has served our Association with distinction and devotion for four years as Moderator, now therefore be it resolved;

That we extend to him our sincere thanks for his faithful and loyal service which has meant much to our Association during a very trying period in our history.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Stanberry  
John Hagaman

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39. The Clerk read the report from the Committee on Time, Place and Preacher as follows which was adopted:

### RPEORT TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

PLACE—Boone Baptist Church, Boone, N. C.

TIME—Tuesday and Wednesday after the Fourth Sunday in August 1945.

PREACHER—Ben Lee Ray

ALTERNATE—W. C. Payne

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. Eggers  
Fred Hagaman  
Wm. Hodges

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40. By motion the clerk was directed to prepare the manuscript for the minutes and have them printed and distributed to the churches, and is to receive \$40.00 for this service.

41. A special collection was taken amounting to \$29.63 to supplement the minute fund.

42. The minutes were read and adopted.

43. Dr. R. C. Gresham spoke briefly about Baptist polity and Marshal Ward suggested that we pray for the ongoing of the Kingdom of God.

44. Miss Dorothy Farthing sang, "Holy Spirit Breathe on Me," in a very impressive manner.

45. The Moderator requested W. D. Ashley to lead a prayer for peace which he did in a very earnest way.

46. The names of the members of our churches who have been or who are now in the service of our country were ordered to be printed in the minutes of this Session.

47. "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," was sung and the One Hundred and Fourth Session of the Three Forks Association adjourned, benediction by R. C. Eggers.

S. C. Eggers, Moderator

Clyde R. Greene, Clerk

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPRING SESSION**

**THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

**Held With Blowing Rock Baptist Church**

**Blowing Rock, N. C.**

**May 5, 1944**

1. The Three Forks Baptist Association met in Special Session with Blowing Rock Baptist Church, Blowing Rock, N. C. at 10:00 A. M. May 5, 1944.

2. Ben Lee Ray, Pastor of Blowing Rock Baptist Church, led the opening song service.

3. W. D. Ashley led the devotional service. After reading from the 3rd chapter of Second Timothy he called on Bro. Ray to lead prayer. Bro. Ashley spoke briefly from the text, "By these ye might be partakers of the Divine Nature," emphasizing the theme of the Session "Knowing Christ."

4. The Moderator, S. C. Eggers, called the Session to order.

5. Wade E. Brown, Chairman of the Executive Committee, presented the program and recognized the following visitors: J. C. Pipes, Buncombe Association; Miss Olive Lauton, returned missionary to China.

6. Clyde R. Greene called the attention of the Association to the large number of our members in the services of our nation and to the fact that Wade E. Brown would soon be inducted. J. C. Canipe led a special prayer for those now in the service and for Bro. Brown as he goes to serve his country.

7. The Pastor of Blowing Rock Church, Ben Lee Ray, took charge of the service. Special music was rendered and Rev. Walter K. Keys, Pastor of Blowing Rock Presbyterian Church, extended a warm welcome on the part of the churches of other denominations; Bro. Ray then extended words of welcome also.

8. Miss Olive Lauton then spoke giving many of her experiences in China and a Japanese concentration camp.

9. The next item on the program was a discussion of the Baptist contribution to Christianity by J. C. Canipe. He es-

pecially emphasized the following beliefs of the Baptists:

1. Regenerated Church Membership.
2. The New Testament is the only rule of faith and practice.
3. Immersion is the only baptism.
4. Independence of the local congregation.
5. Separation of Church and State.
6. Democracy in the Church government.
7. Belief in cooperation of the local Baptist church with other Baptist churches and other denominations.
10. The Session adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by G. A. Hamby.
11. The Session reconvened at 1:30 P. M. Ronda Earp conducted the devotional service and R. C. Eggers led in prayer.
12. J. C. Canipe offered resolutions of thanks to the Blowing Rock Baptist Church and to the community for their hospitality in entertaining the Spring Session which was adopted by a standing vote.
13. A roll call of the churches revealed that twenty were represented.
14. The churches represented made timely reports.
15. J. C. Pipes, State Board Representative, delivered an inspiring address on the subject, "The Abundant Life."
16. The Special Session adjourned, benediction by G. A. Hamby.

S. C. Eggers, Moderator  
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk

**DEDICATED TO OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE DIED  
SINCE OUR LAST SESSION**

**BETHANY—**

Mrs. Martha Watson

**BEECH VALLEY—**

Mr. Dave C. Guy

**BETHEL—**

Mrs. Lora Bell Millsaps

**BOONE—**

Miss Lois Stanberry

Mr. Joseph Winkler

Mrs. Frank Wike

**BRUSSHY FORK—**

Mr. A. D. Adams

**COOL SPRINGS—**

Mr. Robert L. Andrews

**COVE CREEK—**

Mr. A. S. Johnson

Mrs. Hannah Norris

Mrs. Leona Mast

Mrs. Lizzie Wilson Michael

**ELK KNOB—**

Mr. General Main

Deacon J. M. Brown

**LAUREL SPINGS—**

Mrs. Wade Miller

Mrs. Martha Watson

**MEAP CAMP—**

Mrs. Ida Jones

**MIDDLE FORK—**

Mrs. Rose Coffey

**MOUNT CALVARY—**

Mr. George Brown

Mr. E. F. Chapell

**MOUNTAIN DALE—**

Mrs. Willard Johnson

**MOUNT LEBANON—**

Mr. Howard Greer

Miss Ruth Greer

Mrs. Alice Hayes

**OAK GROVE—**

Mr. Jackson Ward

**PLEASANT GROVE—**

Mrs. Lucinda Wilson

**POPLAR GROVE—**

Mrs. W. R. Anderson

**PROFFIT GROVE—**

Mr. S. S. Norris

**SHULLS MILLS—**

Mr. Robert Hollar

**SOUTH FORK—**

Mrs. Julia Stanberry

Mr. Eben Wineberger

**STONY FORK—**

Miss Dorothy Payne

Mr. Milton Greene

Mrs. Susan Church

**TIMBERED RIDGE—**

Mr. W. A. Smitherman

**UNION—**

Mrs. Archie Warren

Mr. Glenn Dishman

Mrs. Martha Norris

**WILLOWDALE—**

Mr. Charles Combs

**WILLOW VALLEY—**

Deacon J. R. Phillips

**ZION HILL—**

Mrs. Bettie Mae Hagaman

**ZIONVILLE—**

Mr. A. N. Brown

Mr. James Lookabill

killed in action



Arthur David Adams, the subject of this short memorial sketch, was the son of Tilman Adams and wife, Nancy Trivett Adams. He was born November 2, 1880, and died July 12, 1944; age 63 years, 7 months and 10 days. He professed faith in Christ and joined the Brushy Fork Baptist Church in August, 1916, and was therefore, a member for nearly 28 years. We entertain a hope that he was ready to meet death when it came to him and that his spirit is resting in peace somewhere in the paradise of God and that we will meet him in that great resurrection morn. We shall sleep but not forever. There will be a glorious dawn, we shall meet to part, no, never in that resurrection morn.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee L. Anderson

Fred C. Wilson, Committee



**IN HONOR OF THOSE WHO ARE OR HAVE BEEN IN THE  
ARMED SERVICE OF OUR NATION WHO ARE MEMBERS  
OF THE CHURCHES OF THE THREE FORKS ASSOCIATION**

**ANTIOCH**

John Flannery  
Ralph Glenn  
Carter Matheson  
Narvie Rominger  
Melvin L. Shepherd, Jr.  
John Shepherd  
Clyde Tester  
Doughton Tester  
Dean Trivette  
Harvey Gilliam  
Monroe Harman  
Doughton Greene  
Earl Trivette  
Conley Trivette

**BEAVER DAM—**

Asa L. Reese  
Woodrow Wilson  
Jake Eggers  
Ralph Moody  
James Rominger  
Roy Rominger  
Daniel Huffman  
T. O. May  
Austin May  
Roy Brown  
Floyd Wilson  
C. B. Reese, Jr.  
Carl Moody  
Gordon Moody  
Talmadge McGuire  
Oscar Huffman  
Don Greene  
Roy Cornett

**BEECH VALLEY—**

Albert R. Harman\*\*\*  
James Lacey Guy  
Henry Oaks  
Clarence Palmer

**BETHANY—**

Henry Michael  
Linville Shoemaker  
Lester Baird  
Lewis Baird  
Byrd Smith

**BETHEL—**

Lewis Anderson  
Frank Cable  
Edward Clay  
Edsel Farthing  
Dixson Farthing  
Joseph Farthing  
Bill Farthing  
John Greene  
Kelley Greene  
Butler Isaacs  
Raleigh Isaacs  
Rhod Isaacs  
Edgar Matheson  
Chalmer Phillips  
James W. Sherwood  
Perry Stanberry  
Lawrence Atchley  
Conley Cox  
John Edmisten  
Edmund Farthing  
Ivan Farthing  
Barton R. Farthing  
Hal Farthing  
Harold Grey Farthing  
Ralph Sherwood

**BLOWING ROCK—**

Dare Hartley, R. N.  
Forest Clawson  
Bernard Pennell  
Lee Robbins  
John Walser  
Mallory Coffey

MINUTES OF THE THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Howard Coffey	R. D. Hodges, Jr.
Edwards Robbins	John J. Conway**
Jean Hartley, R. N.	James Farthing
Buddy Hartley	Blaine Miller
Norman Hartley	Bruce Angel
BOONE—	J. V. Caudill, Jr.
Dudley Swift	G. Perry Greene
Custer Wallace	Lloyd Isaacs, Jr.
Andrew Morgan, Chaplain	Clint Cannon
Fred Gragg	Dr. R. H. Harmon
Paul Hagaman	Von Hagaman
Hunter Storie	Dr. Len D. Hagaman
Greer Hodges	Frank Hamrick
Truett Greer	Lawrence Byrd
Arnold Brown	H. N. Adams
Jerry Wilson	Grant Ayers
Manley Clark	Morris Barnett
John Tatum	Delos Barnett
Cecil Farthing	Wade E. Brown
Stacy Eggers	J. C. Canipe, Jr.
J. Clopton Farthing	Dean Cook
E. E. Garbee	Dana Cowles
A. Y. Howell, Jr.	Mack Cowles
Baxter Miller	Dwight Edminsten, Jr.
Neil Blair, Jr.	Albert Farthing
William Cline Bray	Lyle Cook
Collis Payne	J. B. Hagaman, Jr.
Edwin Dougherty	A. E. Hodges, Jr.
Morris Eggers	Blanton Miller
Hoy Greene	Ransom Payne
Edward Earl Greer	Spencer Qualls
Neil Hartley	Jack Ragan
Johnie Harrison	Charles C. Rogers
Jack A. Hodges	Max Robbins
John Idol	Jack Storie
Beach Keller	Burl Storie
Vaught Mast	Charles Wright
Harrison Moretz	Len D. Wilson
James Storie	Billie Stallings
Andrew J. Williams	Tom S. Winkler
Tom Wright	BROOKSIDE—
Linney Payne	Ronald L. Coffey x
Burke M. Smith	Ira Bradshaw

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BRUSHY FORK—

Cline Walker  
 Hoyle Hayes  
 Willis Swift  
 David S. Love, Jr.  
 Howard Dancey  
 Russell Greene  
 Lewis Wilson  
 David Hollars

CLARK'S CREEK—

Frank Lawrence  
 Marvin Lawrence

COOL SPRINGS—

Lloyd Pennell  
 Lowell Cook  
 Howard Cook  
 Ivan Auton  
 Walter Brewer  
 Neil Pennell  
 Paul Carlton

COVE CREEK—

Darrel Baird  
 Carroll Baird x  
 Burl Greene  
 Cecil Harman  
 Robert Lewis  
 Ernest Lewis  
 Dean McBride  
 Hardy Moody  
 Blan Norris  
 Paul Phillips  
 Harold Mast  
 Hugh Moody  
 James C. Shepherd, Chaplain  
 Dean Swift, Jr.

ELK KNOB—

Walter Johnson

FOREST GROVE—

Ernest Roark  
 Burl Isaacs  
 James Hagaman  
 E. R. Eggers  
 A. C. Willimas  
 Blaine Eller  
 Walter Johnson

Russell Roark

Dean Johnson

Lloyd Roark

GAP CREEK—

Paul Welch xx  
 Joseph Mitchell  
 Willard Lookabill  
 Royce Lookabill  
 Kent Miller  
 Cyrus Greene

HOWARDS CREEK—

Ernest Brown  
 William Brown  
 Steve Brown  
 Fields Baker  
 Jake Miller x  
 Council Norris  
 Ransom Greene  
 Howard Norris  
 Maston Norris  
 James Cottrell  
 Frank Norris  
 Ned Norris  
 Alton Cook  
 J. D. Cook  
 E. J. Norris

LAUREL SPRINGS—

A. F. Nichols, Jr.  
 Russell Watson  
 Alfred Watson  
 Gordon Brown  
 Joe Coffey, Jr.  
 Russell Greene  
 Ralph Greene  
 Larnie Greene  
 Roy Greer  
 Albert Greene  
 Frank Miller  
 Albert Holdman  
 Clyde Ray, Jr.  
 Ronda Ray  
 Frank White  
 Opie Wellborn x  
 Dexter Watson  
 Earl Greene

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MEAT CAMP—

Forrest Greene  
Earl Greene  
Claude Greene  
Bonard Greene  
Walter Brown  
Jesse Brown  
Arvil Brown  
Richard Cheeks  
Eston Greene  
Harold Jones  
Clyde Jones  
Chester Jones  
Glenn Jones  
Lloyd Jones  
Bynum Barnes

MIDDLE FORK—

Perry Ashley  
Donald Triplett  
Cecil Shore  
J. Lee Shore  
Lewis Hodges  
Jack Shore  
Ronald Storie  
Jordon Cook  
Randolph Coffey  
Rodney Triplett

MOUNT CALVARY—

Ralph Arnett  
David Droughon  
John Carver  
Hugh Gwaltney  
Carson Guy  
Glenn Presswood  
Ernest Shoemaker  
Jack Shook  
Paul Chappell  
Bill Treadway  
Ord Shoemaker  
Joe Hodges  
Tate Hodges  
James Hodges  
Council Gilliams  
Jay Greer  
Wilson Hodges  
Paul Smith

MOUNTAIN DALE—

Spencer Pope  
Bill Corneft x  
Fred Moody  
Gordon W. Moody

MOUNT GILEAD—

Odis Reese  
Dean Lawrence  
Donald Reese  
Hurshel Greenwell  
Cecil D. Isaacs  
Shelly Presnell  
Dennis Younce  
Willis Swift  
Paul Swift  
Melvin Younce  
Russell Warren

MOUNT LEBANON—

Charlie Minton  
Charlie Greer  
Maston Hodges  
Carol Eggers \*  
Henry Harmon  
Reece Danner  
Charlie Hodges  
Claude Bentley  
John Hartley  
Claude Minton

OAK GROVE—

Howard Barnes  
Henry Bentley  
Ralph Beshears  
Ernest Hodges  
Grady Hodges  
Ted Hodges x  
Frank Keller  
James Norris  
J. G. Teague  
Jack Ward  
John Ward  
Fred Hodges  
Riley Teague

PLEASANT GROVE—

Everett Eggers x  
Bynum Dancey  
Denver Dancey

Charlie South  
 Frank Sanders  
 Lewis Williams  
 Guy Winebarger  
 Ross Winebarger  
 Archie Isaacs  
 Clyde Johnson  
 Lloys Isaacs  
 Vaughn Greer  
 William Greer  
 Fred Greene  
 Dave Pennell  
 Robert Perry  
 Orvill Perry  
 Clinard Wilson  
 Raymond Greer  
 Roger Wilson  
 Archie Pennell  
 Clayton Lawrence  
 Dean Grogan  
 Henry Smith  
 Odell Perry  
**POPLAR GROVE—**  
 Kenneth Dotson  
 Don Dotson  
 Robert Pitts  
 Roy Williams  
 Warren Dotson  
 Carl Presnell  
 William Maltby  
 John Winkler  
 James Dotson  
 Robert Setzer  
 Jack Austin  
 Coolidge Presnell  
 Ned Austin  
 Max Austin  
 Robert Keller  
 Byron Cook  
**PROFFIT GROVE—**  
 Buell Bentley  
 James Eller  
 Bernard Hodgson  
 Arlie Miller  
 Glenn Proffit  
 Estes Winebarger

Alfred Woodring  
 Ralph Woodring  
 Lee South  
 Audna Norris  
**RICH MOUNTAIN—**  
 Baxter Culler  
 Odell Culler  
 Wray Beach  
 Armon Culler  
 Garlin Ragan  
**RUTHERWOOD—**  
 Baxter Michael  
 Emory J. Hardin  
 Edwin Church x  
 Melvin Norris  
 Dorman Norris  
 Alfonzo L. Baird, Jr.  
 Archie Carroll  
 Charles A. Smathers  
 Glenn Bodenhammer  
 Billy Icenhour  
 Lee Michael  
 Claude Smathers  
 Jack Tester  
 George Church  
**SHULLS MILLS—**  
 Billie Davis  
 Ted Davis  
 Paul Day  
 Crater Teague  
 Dennis Teague  
**SOUTH FORK—**  
 Burel McGuire  
 John T. Trivette  
 Lessell Toliver  
 Page Trivette  
 Stuart Wilcox  
 Jesse Beng  
 Avery McGuire  
 Russell Norris  
 Melvin Norris  
 Ernest Parsons  
 Julian Ragan  
**STONY FORK—**  
 Berl Greene



MINUTES OF THE THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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Ransom Smith	Ralph Combs
Earl Greene	Max Trivette
Hooper Greene	UNION—
Wright Goulds	Dewey Thomas
Lawrence Shirley	Russell Thomas
Troy Greene	Lee Thomas
Vest Greene	Grant Thomas
Charles Greene	Glenn Dishman
Austin Wagner	Jack Grogan
Edward Wellborn	Earl Combs
George Wellborn	Burl Thomas
Curtis Greene xx	J. M. Burkett, Jr.
Rufus Watson	L. C. Oliver
Johnson Wellborn	Otto Thomas
Ledford Cook	Ned Campbell
Riley Greene	Lewis Burkett
Amon Wagner	WILLOWDALE—
Johnny B. Greene	Russell Atkins
Harlon Greene	Lenwood Blair
Vaughn Smith	Brady Campbell
TABERNACLE—	Shelton Dugger
Cecil W. Moretz	Dottie Glenn
THREE FORKS—	Earl Henson
Glenn Carroll	Paul Hicks
Arthur Coffey	Albert Hicks
Herman Coffey	Frank Hicks
Johnny Hollar	Frederic Hicks
Roland Hollar	Arlie D. Hicks
Farthing Hayes	James E. Hicks
Milton Moretz	William A. Hicks
Ronda Hollar	Cecil Hicks
Bryan Shull	Don Elliott
Rufus Shull	Ben Elliott
Boyd Williams	Estel S. Eggers
TIMBERED RIDGE—	Edward E. Edmisten
Lloyd Dishman	Gilbert Edmsiten xx
Ivan Dashman	Lloyd Townsend
Clyde Greene	Billie F. Henson
Roy Lee Greene	Carl C. Henson, Jr.
Ray Hammond	Council Henson
Albert Ward	Mack Rominger
Bynum Eggers	Trueman Billings
Lewis Smitherman	E. M. Bumgarner
Willis Greene	George C. Trivette
	Cecil Glenn

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WILLOW VALLEY—

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Paul Tester

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Paul Trivett  
Charlie Trivett  
Earl Ward  
Floyd Ward  
Vance Ward  
Arnold Presnell  
Junior Harmon

ZIONVILLE—

Ernest Eggers  
Glenn Wallace

Wade Wallace

Leroy Wilson  
Edward Wilson  
N. J. Greer, Jr.

Hugh Reese  
Ranmon Miller  
Tom Reese

James Lookabill \*  
Ralph Wallace

\* Killed in Action

\*\* Died in Service

\*\*\* Missing in Action

x Wounded

xx Prisoner of War

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## PROCEEDINGS OF THE THREE FORKS WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Baptist Association met in its Thirty-First Annual Session with Boone Baptist Church April 21, 1944.

In the absence of Mrs. S. C. Eggers, Superintendent, Mrs. J. L. Qualls, Assistant Superintendent, presided. After the call to worship, the devotional was given by W. M. S. members of Cove Creek Church carrying out the theme of the day's program, "Face Today-Plan for Tomorrow," with courage, faith, love and vision. Prayer was offered by Ben Lee Ray.

The group was cordially welcomed by Mrs. J. C. Canipe to which Mrs. Lettie Day responded.

The Annual reports of officers and chairmen were given in the form of a playlet. The theme, "Today's Achievements an Incentive for Tomorrow's Tasks."

After singing the "Woman's Hymn," the following societies reported with the number of delegates present: Beech Valley 4, Blowing Rock 6, Boone 20, Cove Creek 7, Meat Camp 7, Poplar Grove 10, Stony Fork 10, Willow Valley 2, Zion Hill 7 and Oak Grove 8. One new society, Mount Lebanon, was reported but had no delegates present.

The Superintendent appointed the following committees:  
NOMINATIONS—Mrs. J. J. Coffey, Mrs. D. F. Horton, Mrs. W. S. Harmon, Mrs. Lloyd Robbins, Mrs. Joe McNeil and Mrs. Carl Byers.

RESOLUTIONS—Mrs. James B. Mast and Mrs. Grace S. Bingham.

RECOMMENDATIONS—Mrs. Floy Mast and Mrs. J. A. Williams.

OBITUARIES—Mrs. T. Len Cook and Mrs. Edna Wellborn.

TIME AND PLACE—Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Mrs. Verne Greene and Mrs. Fred Hartley.

The message of the morning was brought by Miss Kath-

ryn Abee, State Young Peoples' Leader, on "Today Molds Tomorrow" and "Planing for a Christian Tomorrow." She pointed out that this could be done by reaching more people and enlisting them, by helping neighboring churches have Missionary Societies, by studying and teaching stewardship, by helping the community to be Christian through community missions, by more organized work among young people and by doing those things today that will build tomorrow.

Special music was given by Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Roberts.

The Superintendent recognized the following ministers: J. C. Canipe, Ben Lee Ray, G. A. Hamby, R. C. Eggers, N. M. Greene, Lawrence Hagaman and visitors as follows: Miss Olive Lawton and Miss Kathryn Abee.

The Morning Session was dismissed by prayer by J. C. Canipe.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened by singing, "From Greenland's Icy Mountains" followed by prayer by R. C. Eggers.

S. C. Eggers, Moderator of the Three Forks Association made a few remarks and announced the Spring Session of the Association to be held at Blowing Rock on May 5, 1944.

Miss Olive Lawton, returned missionary from China, brought an inspiring address on, "The Power of the Gospel," as it relates particularly to China.

Special music was given by Boone R. A.'s led by Elwood Roberts; "The R. A. Hymn" and "Savior Teach Me Day by Day."

A conference was led by Miss Kathryn Abee on how to teach missions, stressing more and better mission study.

The Treasurer brought the following report:

Balance on hand May 5th, 1943 -----	\$
Received for Munite Fund -----	13.50
Received for Mrs. W. H. Tipton, Missionary	5.00
Total receipts -----	\$18.50
Paid out for Minutes -----	\$12.50
Paid Mrs. W. H. Tipton -----	5.00

Total Paid Out ----- \$17.50

Balance in Treasury April 21, 1944 ----- \$1.00

An offering was taken amounting to \$13.27.

The following report on Nominations was adopted as read:

Superintendent ----- Mrs. Andrew Morgan, Boone  
 Assistant Supt. ----- Mrs. J. L. Qualls, Boone  
 Secretary-Treas. ----- Mrs. Don. C. Perry, Sherwood  
 Young Peoples' Leader ----- Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville  
 Community Mission Chm. ----- Mrs. H. R. Eggers, Boone  
 Lit. and Library Chmn. ----- Mrs. W. C. Greer, Boone  
 Stewardship Chm. ----- Mrs. C. J. Farthing, Boone  
 Mission Study Chm. ----- Mrs. J. C. Canipe, Boone  
 Margaret Fund Chm. ----- Mrs. S. F. Horton, Sugar Grove

The report on Resolutions was presented by Mrs. James B. Mast and was adopted as read.

### RESOLUTIONS

We, the members of the Woman's Missionary Union, who have met here today, do thank our Heavenly Father for the Spirit of Christian fellowship that has been experienced during this day's meeting; therefore, be it resolved;

1. That as we share the gracious hospitality of our sisters in Christ of the Boone Baptist Church, may our efforts and prayers be united in behalf of lost humanity.

2. That we gratefully acknowledge the untiring efforts and accomplishments of our W. M. U. officials, and we pledge our love, prayer and continued service for the Master.

3. That we express our thanks to Miss Olive Lauton and Miss Kathryn Abee and others who have in any way helped to make this day's program, spiritually, a profitable one.

4. That we may be willing for God to lead and use us for His glory, "That the Generations to Come Might Know," and in all things may we give Him the pre-eminence.

5. That we extend a cordial invitation to our visitors to meet with us again.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. James B. Mast

Mrs. Grace S. Bingham

Mrs. Floy Mast read the report on Recommendations which was adopted.



## RECOMMENDATIONS

In these days of war and distress, we turn for comfort and inspiration, more than ever, to the One who is all comfort and the chief inspirer of our souls. Many of our sisters, moved more deeply to prayer and consecration by the events of these trying days, look upward for help as never before. For our own membership, then, as well as those yet unreached we humbly ask divine guidance and support as we go on with life in these troublesome times. We therefore recommend:

1. PRAYER for peace and for a better world with the dawn of peace, humbly committing ourselves to the endeavor for that new era. May we say with the poet, truly; "For so the whole world is in every way bound by gold chains about the feet of God." Those chains are the links of earnest prayer.

2. ENLISTMENT: "Come thou with us and we will do thee good." Let us give them every encouragement to come.

3. COMMUNITY MISSIONS. That our churches and W. M. U. may serve more largely in this county and make themselves felt in wider ways.

4. TITHES AND OFFERINGS. "Lord help us to give and bless the gifts richly."

5. BIBLE AND MISSION STUDY. We have had fair results as reward for work under faithful leaders. Let us attempt more and do more.

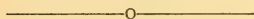
6. YOUNG PEOPLES' ORGANIZATIONS. A worthy goal with strong endeavor to reach that goal in 1945.

We pledge deeper devotion and more sincere consecration as individual Christians and may God in His infinite love and mercy grant wonderful development to all.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Floy Mast

Mrs. J. A. Williams



Mrs. Ethel Hodges gave the report on Time and Place which was adopted as read.

PLACE—Poplar Grove Baptist Church

TIME—To be decided later.

Mrs. T. Len Cooke read the report on Obituaries.

### IN MEMORIAM

The friendships of life are the most treasured things that come to us. One by one our friends slip away from us and our hearts sorrow at their passing; yet our lives were enriched because we were privileged to share in their friendships. Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved families of the following:

Meat Camp W. M. S.—Mrs. H. S. Jones

Beech Valley W. M. S.—Mrs. Martha Ann Palmer

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. T. Len Cooke

Mrs. Edna Wellborn

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After a hymn, "Rescue the Perishing" the Thirty-First Annual Session was closed with prayer by G. A. Hamby.

Mrs. J. L. Qualls, Superintendent

Mrs. Don. C. Perry, Secretary

# *Statistical Tables Begin*

TABLE ONE — CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Town, Vill., Country?	When Constituted	Pastors and Post Offices	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP										Enrl. Min. Ret. Fund		
				GAINS					LOSSES							
				Days of Meeting	Mem. Last Year	Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Expasures	Deaths			
Antioch.....		1849	W. C. Cook, Boone.....	1	209	1	3	1	1	1	243	1				
Beaver Dam.....		1874	W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock.....	3	208	1	4	1	1	1	203	1				
Beech Valley.....		1941	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	1	56	1	1	1	1	1	57	1				
Bethany.....		1893	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	4	141	2	1	1	1	1	142	1				
Bethel.....		1851	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	4	559	1	2	1	1	1	263	1				
Blowing Rock.....		1903	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	4	191	8	2	1	1	1	260	1				
Boone.....		1870	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	4	762	3	33	2	1	1	767	2				46 *
Brookside.....		1892	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	2	39	1	1	1	1	1	30	1				
Brushy Fork.....		1858	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	2	129	1	1	1	1	1	134	1				
Clark's Creek.....		1897	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	2	55	1	1	1	1	1	55	1				
Cool Springs.....		1888	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	2	117	1	1	1	1	1	116	1				
Cove Creek.....		1888	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	2	234	7	2	1	1	1	234	1				
Elk Knob.....		1739	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	4	93	4	1	1	1	1	93	1				
Forest Grove.....		1890	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	2	146	13	2	1	1	1	151	1				
Gap Creek.....		1889	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	2	114	2	1	1	1	1	114	1				
Howard's Creek.....		1882	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	4	151	1	1	1	1	1	151	1				
Laurel Springs.....		1882	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	2	245	13	12	1	1	1	266	1				5 *
Mead Camp.....		1873	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	3	154	15	1	1	1	1	156	1				10 *
Middle Fork.....		1851	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	2	250	21	3	1	1	1	252	1				
Mount Calvary.....		1895	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	2	229	9	1	1	1	1	235	1				
Mountain Dale.....		1941	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	1	59	1	1	1	1	1	47	1				
Mount Lebanon.....		1891	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	1	106	2	1	1	1	1	102	1				
Oak Grove.....		1880	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	1	93	2	1	1	1	1	90	1				
Pleasant Grove.....		1872	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	1	102	2	1	1	1	1	100	1				
Poplar Grove.....		1872	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	1	277	13	1	1	1	1	285	1				5 *
Profit Grove.....		1921	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	1	148	1	1	1	1	1	146	1				10 *
Rich Mountain.....		1905	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	2	143	11	1	1	1	1	156	1				
Rutherford.....		1928	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	2	78	3	1	1	1	1	79	1				
Shulls Mills.....		1838	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	2	119	5	3	1	1	1	127	1				
South Fork.....		1833	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	4	118	1	1	1	1	1	116	1				
Stony Fork.....		1841	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	2	142	6	1	1	1	1	141	1				
Tabernacle.....		1941	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	2	204	2	1	1	1	1	201	1				
Three Forks.....		1790	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	2	25	1	1	1	1	1	25	1				8 *
Timbered Ridge.....		1906	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	3	111	2	1	1	1	1	114	1				
Union.....		1885	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	3	160	2	1	1	1	1	161	1				
Willowdale.....		1911	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	3	280	1	1	1	1	1	280	1				2 *
Willow Valley.....		1932	W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	3	129	10	2	1	1	1	140	1				
			W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	3	93	9	1	1	1	1	97	1				
			W. D. Ashby, Blowing Rock.....	3	156	3	1	1	1	1	156	1				





TABLE THREE — BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTOR Wm. J. Farthing, Sugar Grove, N. C.										Students in College				
	Adult Unions	Young People's Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Tot Unions, Story Hrs.	Adults Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled		Story Hours Enrolled	Tot. Emr., Un. St. Hrs.	No. Daily Bible Reads	No. taking Study Crse
Blowing Rock.....	1	1	1	1	1	2	20	20	20	20	40	40	10	20	20
Boone.....	1	2	1	1	1	5	18	40	15	15	93	93	50	23	65
Cove Creek.....	1	1	1	1	1	4	5	5	15	30	66	66	18	38	57
Laurel Springs.....	1	1	1	1	1	3	15	20	14	14	49	49	10	10	3
Oak Grove.....	1	1	1	1	1	3	24	29	16	15	11	95	13	10	3
South Fork.....	1	1	1	1	1	2	20	20	8	8	28	28	18	12	18
Stony Fork.....	1	1	1	1	1	4	10	10	14	15	7	46	109	73	170
TOTALS.....	4	7	5	6	3	25	67	134	80	102	24	417	109	73	170



TABLE SIX — CHURCH PROPERTY

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Does your Church Own House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	What Materials Were Used?	No. Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rooms	No. Sep. Class Rooms	Value Church House and Grounds	If Any Mission Chapel	Value Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Amount of Insurance Carried
Antioch	Dwight Cable, Sugar Grove.	Yes	1903	Wood	300	1			2500			2500		
Beaver Dam	C. B. Reese, Trade, Tenn.	Yes	1924	Wood	350	7	1	6	3800			3800		
Beech Valley	George M. Harmon, Beech Creek.	Yes	1943	Wood	400	7	1	6	6000			6000		
Bethany	M. P. Ward, Balm.	Yes	1898	Wood	250	1			1000			1000		
Bethel	Bert Farthing, Sugar Grove.	Yes	1924	Brick	450	9	1	8	5000			5000		
Blowing Rock	Mrs. L. A. Hollars, Blowing Rock.	Yes	1924	Wood	250	8	1	7	17000		6500	23500	12000	
Boone	H. W. Wilcox, Boone.	Yes	1929	Brick	850	47	6	41	75000		7500	82500	8000	11500
Brookside	Bunick Greer, Yadkin Valley, N. C.	Yes	1938	Wood	300	1			2600			2600		
Brushy Fork	Mrs. Dora Greene, Vilas.	Yes	1881	Wood	300	6	1	5	4000			4000		
Clark's Creek	Hanston Coffey, Banner Elk.	Yes	1941	Wood	300	1			3000			3000		
Cool Springs	E. E. Carlton, Blowing Rock.	Yes	1943	Brick	300	2	4		3500			3500		
Cove Creek	Mrs. Hattie Lewis, Sherwood.	Yes	1923	Brick	400	11	10		10000		4000	14000		
Elk Knob	W. C. South, Tamarack.	Yes	1890	Wood	200	1			500			500		
Forest Grove	Mack Johnson, Vilas.	Yes	1907	Wood	450	9	1	8	1400			1400		
Gap Creek	Russell Wellborn, Deep Gap.	Yes	1882	Wood	400	5	1	4	1500			1500		
Howard's Creek	L. E. Cottrell, Boone.	Yes	1900	Wood	400	4	1	3	1000			1000		
Laurel Springs	Clifford Ray, Deep Gap.	Yes	1938	Brick	300	1			6000			6000		
Mead Camp	M. C. Brown, Boone.	Yes	1927	Wood	400	5	1	4	5000			5000		
Middle Fork	L. P. Hodges, Blowing Rock.	Yes	1905	Wood	300	1			2000			2000		
Mount Calvary	Homer Shoemaker, Balm.	Yes	1933	Brick	400	6	1	5	10000	350	3000	13350	253	4000
Mount Dale	C. F. Moody, Reese.	Yes	1943	Wood	200	4	1	3	3000			3000		
Mount Gil-ad	W. E. Grenwell, Heaton.	Yes		Wood	200	1			2000			2000		
Mount Lebanon	Clarence Earp, Vilas.	Yes	1891	Wood	350	5	1	4	3500			3500	250	
Oak Grove	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams.	Yes	1937	Brick	400	6	1	5	7200			7200	2000	
Pleasant Grove	John Hagaman, Zionville.	Yes	1898	Wood	300	5	1	4	3000			3000		
Peplar Grove	Collis Austin, Shulls Mills.	Yes	1914	Wood	225	6	1	5	4000			4000		
Profit Grove	L. E. Wilson, Zionville.	Yes	1919	Wood	300	5	1	4	1200			1200		
Rich Mountain	L. E. Beach, Zionville.	Yes	1907	Wood	200	1			1000			1000		
Rutherford	Mrs. B. D. Clawson, Boone.	Yes	1939	Wood	400	1			2800			2800	2000	
Shulls Mills	Fred Hatley, Shulls Mills.	Yes	1888	Wood	300	1			500			500		
South Fork	Leslie E. Norris, Todd.	Yes	1901	Wood	300	1			3000		300	3300		
Stony Fork	John Wellborn, Stony Fork.	Yes	1941	Brick	600	12	1	11	5000			5000		
Tabernacle	Fred N. Brown, Boone.	Yes		Wood	250	4	1	3	3000			3000		
Three Forks	Walter Edmisten, Boone.	Yes	1922	Wood	300	5	1	4	1500			1500		
Timbered Ridge	Wade L. Greene, Reese.	Yes	1912	Wood	250	5	1	4	2800			2800		
Union	J. M. Burkett, Mabel.	Yes	1941	Wood	500	7	1	6	4500			4500		

CHURCHES

REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES

Church	Pastor's Salary Paid This Year	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repair Spent This Year	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for Church Use, Sun. School, Help Given to Poor	For Printing Minutes and Clerk of Assn.	Other Objects	Total for Local Purposes Given by Churches and All Organizations
Antioch.....	178.48		55.00	150.00		24.00	39.31	3.53		288.41
Beaver Dam.....	202.71		55.25	150.00		25.00	39.31			472.27
Beech Valley.....	245.93		109.83	820.00	150.00	22.00	66.84			1414.66
Bethany.....	193.32	10.10	50.00	320.00		6.00	38.75	2.00	121.32	421.49
Bethel.....	192.00		90.00	370.94		100.73	70.38	6.80	21.16	925.61
Blowing Rock.....	35.78		35.78	274.07	1000.00	282.70	48.89	2.00	70.05	2350.03
Boone.....	2431.00		175.86	12.81	7266.20	301.84	414.04	20.00	750.00	11871.75
Brookside.....	75.00		10.00							85.00
Brushy Fork.....	363.00		100.00			82.75	46.00	5.00		536.75
Clark's Creek.....	112.00		14.47	44.00		22.50	25.00	2.00		219.97
Cool Springs.....	150.11			1610.32		21.42	18.90	2.80		1803.55
Cove Creek.....	975.03		30.00	52.94		182.62	118.59	10.00	34.55	1403.70
59k Knob.....	100.31		21.00							141.31
Forest Grove.....	290.49		86.60	145.73		14.26	34.18	4.00		575.26
Gap Creek.....	204.06		33.60			35.00	35.00	4.00		311.66
Howard's Creek.....	143.54		57.74			11.40	18.20	3.00	6.25	241.53
Laurel Springs.....	602.66		117.50			70.00	70.56	4.00		908.72
Meat Camp.....	381.59		79.00	105.00		112.65	51.09	4.00	7.06	783.39
Middle Fork.....	165.00		40.50			44.72	36.25	2.90	10.00	299.37
Mount Calvary.....	303.50	6.00		318.66		38.59	152.27	2.50		821.52
Mountain Dale.....	245.81		27.80	428.75		20.76	46.91		25.00	816.30
Mount Gilad.....	205.19	14.46	27.67			22.00	22.91	2.16	29.51	323.90
Mount Lebanon.....	421.45		15.00	800.00		22.00	47.60	2.00		1106.14
Oak Grove.....	432.00	7.00	129.50	462.83		228.06	102.62	5.00	16.50	1603.51
Pleasant Grove.....	496.30		101.00	10.50		197.31	92.04	4.85		844.25
Poplar Grove.....	213.53		84.85	171.79		42.04	72.79	4.00	19.32	724.32
Profit Grove.....	167.48		128.79	107.25		17.96	25.48	3.00		449.96
Rich Mountain.....	75.03		35.00	150.00				2.75		274.75
Rutherford.....	312.22		302.56	28.37		69.41	33.38	4.00	140.00	949.93
Shulls Mills.....	126.39		98.00			12.30	18.70			197.39
South Fork.....	381.50		40.00	2900.00		46.61	93.00	3.50		3459.58
Stony Fork.....	451.48		64.13			100.00	99.00	6.00		957.91
Tabernacle.....	61.69		16.00	60.56			16.18			159.43
Three Forks.....	222.84		30.00	32.00		74.78	68.83	3.60	7.85	439.90
Timbered Ridge.....	107.71		21.50	3.00		18.84	16.00			164.05
Union.....	316.42		154.50			86.33	47.14	6.00	50.00	663.19
Willowdale.....	240.00		83.93			41.50	36.00	3.00	25.90	430.33
Willow Valley.....	175.00		39.86	69.39		63.85	45.04	3.15		396.29
Zion Hill.....	330.11		41.00			36.00	17.41	2.00	11.20	546.53
Zionville.....	366.32		92.00			37.00	47.28	4.00		546.60
TOTALS.....	13173.97	37.56	2695.23	9078.91	8416.20	29222.83	2192.69	139.54	1345.47	40963.51











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## SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE 1946 SESSION

THEME: "God Giveth the Increase"

### Tuesday, August 27, 1946

- 9:00- 9:25—Devotional and Roll Call
- 9:25- 9:45—Address of Moderator
- 9:45-10:30—Temperance
- 10:30-11:00—Religious Literature
- 11:00-11:15—Announcements and Miscellaneous
- 11:15-12:00—Annual Sermon—Lawrence Hagaman

#### Noon Recess

- 1:00- 1:15—Devotional
- 1:15- 2:30—Missions (State, Home and Foreign)
- 2:30- 3:15—Christian Education (Colleges, Sunday Schools and B. T. U.)
- 3:15- 3:30—Closing Worship

### Wednesday August 28, 1946

- 9:00- 9:15—Devotional
- 9:15- 9:30—Obituaries
- 9:30-10:00—Woman's Work
- 10:00-10:15—Announcements and Miscellaneous
- 10:15-11:00—Report and Executive Committee
- 11:00-11:45—Associational Progress
- 11:45-12:00—Election of Officers

#### Noon Recess

- 1:00- 1:15—Devotional
- 1:15- 2:30—Benevolences (Mills Home, Hospital and Old Ministers Relief)
- 2:30- 3:00—Reports: Treasurer, Finance, Nominations, Resolutions and Time, Place and Preacher.
- 3:00- 3:30—Miscellaneous and Reading of Minutes
- 3:30- 3:45—Closing Worship.

### OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

J. C. Canipe, Moderator	-----	Boone
R. C. Eggers, Vice-Moderator	-----	Zionville
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treasurer	-----	Boone

Wm. J. Farthing, Historian ----- Valle Crucis  
 Wm. Hodges (Barber Bll), Song Leader ----- Boone

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

R. C. Eggers, Chairman ----- Zionville  
 S. C. Eggers ----- Boone  
 N. M. Greene ----- Boone  
 G. A. Hamby ----- Boone  
 Ben Lee Ray ----- Blowing Rock  
 J. C. Canipe ----- Boone  
 Clyde R. Greene ----- Boone

**NOMINATIONS**

MISSIONS—Vilas Minton and Mrs. J. C. Canipe  
 RELIGIOUS LITERATURE—L. M. Hodges and Ellis Coffey  
 ASSOCIATIONAL PROGRESS—Wade Brown and N. M. Greene  
 BENEVOLENCES—H. R. Eggers and Wilson Norris  
 TEMPERANCE—Lawrence Hagaman and Henry Hagaman  
 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION—H. W. Wilcox, Mrs. S. C. Eggers  
 WOMAN'S WORK—Mrs. B. F. Hodges, Mrs. J. L. Qualls  
 RESOLUTIONS—I. B. Wilson, G. A. Hamby  
 OBITUARIES—W. G. Todd, Ira Hodges  
 Sunday School Director—C. J. Farthing, Boone  
 ORPHANAGE DIRECTOR—Russell D. Hodges, Boone  
 B. T. U. Director—Wm. J. Farthing, Valle Crucis  
 HOSPITAL DIRECTOR—D. M. Edmisten, Boone  
 NOMINATIONS—Moderator to Appoint  
 ORDER OF BUSINESS—Executive Committee  
 TIME, PLACE & PREACHER—Moderator to Appoint  
 FINANCE—Moderator To Appoint

**BAPTIST TRAINING UNION ORGANIZATION**

Director ----- Wm. J. Farthing, Valle Crucis  
 Assistant Director ----- I. B. Wilson, Zionville  
 Secretary-Treasurer ----- Katherine Sherwood, Sugar Grove  
 Chorister ----- Wm. Hodges, Boone  
 Pianist ----- Betty Jean Farthing, Boone  
 Pastor Advisor ----- Ben Lee Ray, Blowing Rock



MINUTES OF THE THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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Adult Leader ----- C. J. Farthing, Boone  
Young Peoples' Leader ----- Mrs. Cecil Glenn, Vilas  
Intermediate Leader ----- Mrs. Maxie Edmisten, Vilas  
Junior Leader ----- Mrs. Odes Wilson, Zionville  
Story Hour Leader ----- Mrs. S. C. Eggers, Boone  
Group Leaders: Mrs. Grace Sherwood, Sherwood; Mrs. Irene  
Coffey, Blowing Rock; Vance Cufler, Adams; Allie Wat-  
son, Deep Gap

W. M. U. ORGANIZATION

Superintendent ----- Mrs. Andrew Morgan, Boone  
Asst. Superintendent ----- Mrs. J. L. Qualls, Boone  
Secretary-Treasurer ----- Mrs. Don. C. Perry, Sherwood  
Young Peoples' Leader ----- Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville  
Community Mission Chm. ----- Mrs. H. R. Eggers, Boone  
Literature & Library Chm. ----- Mrs. W. C. Greer, Boone  
Stewardship Chm. ----- Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone  
Mission Study Chm. ----- Mrs. J. C. Canipe, Boone  
Margaret Fund Chm. ----- Mrs. S. F. Horton, Sugar Grove

SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

Superintendent ----- C. J. Farthing, Boone  
Assistant Supt. ----- William Farthing, Valle Crucis  
Secretary ----- Miss Alice Wilson, Boone  
Group Leaders: E. Y. Edmisten, I. B. Wilson, Paul Winkler  
and Grady Wilson  
Cradle Roll Leader ----- Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams  
Beginners' Leader ----- Mrs. Don. Perry, Sherwood  
Primary Leader ----- Mrs. J. C. Canipe, Boone  
Junior Leader ----- Mrs. Nora Wilson, Zionville  
Intermediate Leader ----- Mrs. Gladys Gragg, Boone  
Young Peoples' Leader ----- Mrs. Ella Beshears, Boone  
Adult & Extension ----- Dr. J. T. C. Wright, Boone  
Vacation Bible Schools ----- Mrs. Dorothy Greene, Boone

### ORDAINED MINISTERS

- ANTIOCH—Bynum Trivett, Sugar Grove ,  
BETHANY—James Allen, Rominger; J. T. McGuire, Altapass  
BETHEL—E. J. Farthing, Sugar Grove  
BLOWING ROCK—J. M. Hodges and Ben Lee Ray, Blowing  
Rock  
BROOKSIDE—C. J. Younce, Patterson  
BOONE—J. C. Canipe, G. M. Watson and Tipton Greene,  
Boone  
COOL SPRINGS—W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock; Howard Shore,  
Boone  
COVE CREEK—H. K. Middleton, Sherwood  
ELK KNOB—Hiram Phillips, Trout; Noah Johnson, Meat  
Camp  
GAP CREEK—Raymond Greer, Lenoir  
LAUREL SPRINGS—W. C. Greene, Laxon; J. L. Greene, Deep  
Gap  
MEAT CAMP—A. E. Moretz, Boone  
MIDDLE FORK—R. H. Shore and J. J. Matney, Blowing Rock  
MOUNT CALVARY—Ira Hodges, Banner Elk; Roby Painter,  
Balm  
MOUNT LEBANON—T. T. Danner, Valle Crucis; Ronda Earp,  
Vilas  
POPLAR GROVE—Clayton Greene, Shulls Mills  
RUTHERWOOD—A. B. Church, Boone  
STONY FORK—T. S. Robbins, Henry Smith, Deep Gap  
THREE FORKS—Raymond Hendrix, Robert Honeycutt, Jr.,  
N. M. Greene and Bearol Culler, Boone  
ZION HILL—Lawrence Hagaman, Beech Creek; Thomas Stan-  
bery, Butler, Tenn.  
ZIONVILLE—R. C. Eggers, Zionville

### LICENTIATES

- BETHANY—A. T. Watson and Gold Hicks, Rominger  
BOONE—Baxter Howell, Boone  
STONY FORK—Macon Greene, Wake Forest

## Roll of Messengers

ANTIOCH—M. L. Shepherd, M. P. Trivett and W. J. Farthing

BEAVER DAM—Lee Swift, Clyde Robinson and Dallas Wilson

BEECH VALLEY—Geo. M. Harman, Spencer Phillips and W. S. Harman

BETHANY—James Allen, A. T. Watson and Ruby Allen

BETHEL—W. W. Wilson, M. H. Edmisten and Bert Farthing

BLOWING ROCK—Henry Coffey, Mrs. Kent Brown and Mrs. E. A. Banner

BROOKSIDE—C. J. Younce, Mrs. Julia Penley and Mrs. Carrie Ford

BOONE—Clyde R. Greene, L. T. Tatum and Mrs. J. L. Qualls

BRUSHY FORK—Lee Anderson, Tom Hayes and Fred Wilson

CLARK'S CREEK—G. W. Byrd, W. C. Smith and Joe Lawrence

COOL SPRINGS—M. L. West, Q. B. Cannon and Bearl Greene

COVE CREEK—D. C. Mast, Mrs. Grace S. Bingham and Mrs. D. F. Horton

ELK KNOB—Lloyd Miller, J. M. South and Grady Potter

FOREST GROVE—Hill Eggers, Spencer Warren and Fred Proffit

GAP CREEK—Thomas Fairchild, Russell Welborn and Raymond Luther

HOWARD'S CREEK—L. F. Cottrell, Gurney Norris and Jud Barnes

LAUREL SPRINGS—Lane Idol, W. M. Day and E. B. Hardin

MEAT CAMP—J. W. Byers, H. S. Jones and Verne Greene

MIDDLE FORK—H. B. Triplett, Paul Hodges and John Norris

MOUNT CALVARY—Henry McGuire, W. H. Shoemaker and Ed. Bentley

MOUNTAIN DALE—Clay Phillips, Clyde Cornett and Millard Greene

MOUNT GILEAD—Clell Isaacs, George Lawrence and Dallas Bunton

MOUNT LEBANON—Luther Earp, S. B. Hayes and Iris Hayes

OAK GROVE—Joe McNeil, L. M. Hodges and C. J. Farthing

PLEASANT GROVE—Chas. Mitchell, A. B. Culler and Mrs. Emma Warren

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- POPLAR GROVE—John Pitts, P. M. Winkler and Geo. Austin  
PROFFIT GROVE—Kermit Proffit, Frank Winebarger and  
Henry Bryan  
RICH MOUNTAIN—Frank Culler, T. O. Eggers and L. E.  
Beach  
RUTHERWOOD—Mrs. B. D. Clawson, Steward Brown and  
Green Carroll  
SHULLS MILLS—C. M. Shore, J. B. Reed and Clarence Cook  
SOUTH FORK—W. F. Norris, J. L. Miller and J. S. Brown  
STONY FORK—Jude Greene, V. O. Greene and Joe Welborn  
TABERNACLE—K. W. Brown, Mrs. B. H. Phillips and Glenn  
Stanberry  
THREE FORKS—James Austin, Edwin Brookshire and W. F.  
Edmisten  
TIMBERED RIDGE—J. Y. Smitherman, Grady McGuire and  
Basil Tester  
UNION—E. S. Williams, R. A. Thomas and J. M. Burkett  
WILLOWDALE—I. A. Bumgarner, Fred Edmisten and Albert  
Hicks  
WILLOW VALLEY—Carlie Greene, Custer Ward, Ivalee Har-  
man  
ZION HILL—M. A. Ward, Lawrence Hagaman and C. S.  
Trivett  
ZIONVILLE—A. J. May, N. T. Byers and W. K. Wilson



# Constitution

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who, on producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, the ministers being members ex-officio.

2. In the letters from the different churches is to be expressed their numbers in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed by letter, excommunicated and dead since last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any special power over the churches. They shall not infringe any internal right of any church in this Union.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and clerk, who shall be chosen annually by the suffrage of the members present.

5. New churches, or any regular church of Christ being legally dismissed by letter by any sister Association, upon application and delegates, shall be admitted to our Union.

6. Every church in the Association shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

7. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be once read and before it is debated the Moderator shall put it to a vote, and if there is a majority for it being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and be debated, but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of their proceedings. The best method of accomplishing this purpose shall be at the direction of the future Associations.

10. We think it is absolutely necessary that we should have an Associational fund for defraying the expense of the same. For the raising and supporting of which we think it to be the duty of each church in the Union to contribute annually such sums as they shall think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association. The money thus raised shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer, appointed by the Association, who shall be accounta-



ble for the same. He shall pay the money out from time to time as the Association may direct.

11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for his services.

12. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needs be, and signed by the Moderator and the Clerk before the Association rises.

13. Amendments to the plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association when they deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months prior notice.

14. The Association shall have power:

To provide for the general union of the churches.

To endeavor to preserve a chain of union amongst the churches.

To give the churches the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

To appropriate the money contributed by the churches for an Associational fund to any purpose they may think proper.

To have power to withdraw from any church in their Union who shall violate the rules of this Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

To correspond with sister Associations.

To invite any Baptist in the ministry to a seat in the Association, who may be present at the time of their sitting.

To adjourn the Association to any future time and place they may think proper and most convenient to the churches of the Union.

## Rules of Decorum

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

3. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect upon the person who spoke before him as to make remarks on his steps, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state the matter as he can do so as to give his views or ideas.

4. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

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5. No person shall rise and speak more than three times to any one subject without liberty from the Association.

6. No member shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same or whispering in the time of public speaking.

7. No member shall address another in any other appellation than that of brother.

8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

9. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as required by the Association.

10. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any of the other members, provided the chair be filled. He shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

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# Proceedings

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## Three Forks Baptist Association

Held With

### Boone Baptist Church

Boone, N. C.

FIRST DAY

Tuesday, August 28, 1945

**Morning Session**

1. The One Hundred Fifth Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina met with Boone Baptist Church, Boone, N. C. on Tuesday, Aug. 28, 1945 at 9:45 A. M.

2. J. C. Canipe led the opening song, "How Firm a Foundation" and R. C. Eggers conducted the devotional. He read from the First chapter of the Gospel of John and called attention to the Theme of the Session "He That Winneth Souls Is Wise."

3. The Moderator, J. C. Canipe, called the One Hundred Fifth Session to order for the transaction of business. After a short opening statement the Moderator requested Vilas Minton to lead in prayer.

4. The Clerk called the roll of the churches and twenty-four responded. The Clerk announced that letters from all churches had been received.

5. The Moderator then brought his Annual Address which paramounted the following needs of our churches:

1. Church buildings should be repaired and church grounds beautified.

2. At least six more churches in the Three Forks Association should have full-time pastors and we should have ten more parsonages; ten more of our churches should have one-half

time pastors and no pastor should serve more than four churches.

3. We need more pastors for there is a difference in a pastor and a preacher. The pastor should lead his people since the shepherd always goes before the flock.

4. We need a more comprehensive teaching program for our pastors, preachers and church members which should emphasize the Biblical way of church finance.

How can we achieve these objectives?

1. Pray about these needs.

2. Set a goal and strive to reach it.

3. Use God's plan for our finances.

6. R. C. Eggers, Chairman of the Executive Committees, presented the report of the Committee on Order of Business. The report was adopted.

7. The Moderator named the following Committees:

NOMINATIONS—S. C. Eggers, R. C. Eggers and Ellis Coffey

FINANCE—L. M. Hodges, Alfred Thomas and George Wilson

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER—C. J. Farthing, Odes Wilson and Ben Lee Ray.

8. G. M. Watson offered the report on Temperance. After a motion to adopt the report Bro. Watson led the discussion. The subject was further discussed by L. A. Martin, Ex. Secretary of the Allied Church League and the report was adopted.

### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

The report on Temperance made to our last Session emphasized the attack of Japan at Pearl Harbor which forced our nation into war. Our nation had already been attacked by a far more deadly enemy—beer, wine and liquor. We have subdued Germany and Japan but not the liquor traffic with which we have entered into a peace treaty with the forces of liquor getting much the better of the deal.

Alcohol is the arch enemy of man and has been through all written history. Its destruction is far greater than war. It destroys the morals of nations. It is the base of crime more than any other one thing mentioned in the catalog of criminal records. It



brings to disgrace and shame the very virtues of the land where it is patronized. It destroys homes, communities, churches and nations and last of all the souls of men. Yet our nation cries, "Give us more liquor, wine and beer."

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. Watson

Lawrence Hagaman

9. The Moderator recognized the following visitors: J. C. Brown, Mitchell Association; Henry Crisp, Caldwell Association; Dr. R. C. Gresham, Colquit County Ga. Association; Mrs. E. F. Tester, Watauga, Tenn. Association; Thomas W. Cable, Moderator Watauga, Tenn. Association; O. B. Reel, Rep. State Training Union Dept.; L. B. Cole, Valley, Va., Association and Victor Trivett, Watauga Association, Tenn.

10. The Clerk read the report for the Committee on Religious Literature. Upon motion to adopt the report was discussed by J. C. Canipe and Dr. R. C. Gresham and was adopted.

### REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

The Bible tells us that of making books there is no end. If that were true in that far off day, how much more so now? Since the days of Moses men have been writing books.

This report is to deal with Baptist literature. Baptist authors have wrought wonders in this field; and today Baptists are making the pages of literature shine. Possibly, no denomination can boast of greater men and women who have written better pages or brought greater blessings to the world through literature.

We recommend the Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children as being wholesome periodicals.

All our churches should use our own Sunday School and Baptist Training Union literature, published at Nashville, Tenn.

Among all, the Bible is by far the most precious. It gives us the seed thought for every good thing, therefore, we recommend that it be read and studied more daily.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. Moretz

Wade Byers

11. At this time the Moderator called upon all ministers to stand and 26 responded.

12. The congregation sang, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" and Smith Hagaman led in prayer. The singing was



continued with, "We'll Work Until Jesus Comes" and Ben Lee Ray, the appointee to bring the Annual Sermon, was recognized by the Moderator. Bro. Ray took charge of the service and announced his subject, "Is this Christianity?" He read the thirteenth chapter of Second Kings. In an able message the following thoughts were emphasized:

1. This generation has brought more destruction than any other in the world's history.
2. To alleviate the results of this destruction we have only Christ to offer.
3. Christianity is on trial as never before.
4. We must face a critical world and produce the fruits of Christianity or we will go down.
5. The world won't accept Christianity as the best thing unless we make it just that by our lives.

Bro. Ray closed his message with prayer and the Association adjourned for the noon recess.

### NOON RECESS

13. The Association reconvened at 1:30 P. M. H. K. Middleton conducted the devotional.

14. Kathleen Frink, Associational Educational Director, offered her report of the past year's work as follows:

### REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR

I wish to submit the following report for the Associational year of 1944-45. I have either visited or worked in twenty-two churches of our forty churches and one mission. I have taught nineteen study courses including B. T. U. and Sunday School. We also, had an Associational B. T. U. Enlargement Campaign in which seven churches participated. During the year I aided in two enlargement campaigns outside our Association. I worked part time in five revivals; and helped to promote nineteen Vacation Bible Schools and taught in thirteen of them. I had the pleasure to help organize or reorganize four Baptist Training Unions and two Junior Missionary Unions. In the work I traveled 4192 miles and visited 275 homes.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Fink

Associational Education Director

15. G. A. Hamby read the report on Missions, and after a motion to adopt the report, he introduced M. A. Huggins, Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, who discussed the subject. The report was adopted.

### REPORT ON MISSIONS

Our Southern Baptists are being challenged to carry out the Great Commission. Since the war is over in Europe and almost over at this time in Asia, we should make ready to preach the Gospel in all the world. Paul said, "It is the power of God to everyone that believed it, but how can they hear unless it be preached to them; and how can they preach except they be sent." So it is up to us to pray that God will call men and women to carry the good news to all this town world. We may not be called to go in person, but let us send them who are called. We can give our money to send others. God help us to wake up for this mighty task in our Association. Let us move now or we may be too late.

Respectfully submitted,

G. A. Hamby

W. W. Wilson

16. Ronda Earp presented the report on Christian Education. After a motion to adopt the report was discussed by Ronda Earp, J. B. Willis, W. J. Farthing, O. B. Reel, C. J. Farthing and Crit Greene and was adopted.

### REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

"Go Teach" ranks with "Go Preach" as being the greatest commands of Jesus to his disciples. This command is for Baptists above all other Christian groups because we emphasize the teaching of the Bible to all the people, both great and small.

Today, possibly, as never before the world must be taught. Germany and Japan are looking to us for the Gospel of Christ. We must teach them. This is a task for our homes, our schools and our churches.

Our Churches, led by our pastors, must place added emphasis on the Sunday School and the Baptist Training Union. Only about one-half of our church members are even enrolled in our Sunday Schools and only seven of our churches even reported a Baptist Training Union.

As Christian leaders we owe it to our young people to see that

they have better training than we had for we must look forward and not backward.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Ronda Earp  
 Howard Shore

17. The Moderator added C. J. Farthing and D. M. Edmisten to the Resolutions Committee. He also recognized Dr. I. G. Greer, Smith Hagaman and J. B. Willis as visitors.

18. Vilas Minton conducted the closing worship and the Session adjourned with prayer by Bro. Minton.

**SECOND DAY**

**Wednesday Morning Session**

19. The Moderator called the Session to order at 9:30 A. M. After song service, N. M. Green conducted the opening worship.

20. N. M. Greene offered his report as Associational Missionary for four months of the past year as follows:

**REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY**

During the four months which I served as Associational Missionary I visited eleven churches. At Boone, Bethel and Mount Lebanon I conducted a School for Deacons lasting one week. I also visited 60 homes and traveled 2000 miles. I received for this work the following support:

Cove Creek .....	\$25.00	
Poplar Grove .....	10.50	
Mountain Dale .....	8.40	
Union .....	6.39	
W. C. Green .....	6.00	
R. C. Eggers .....	7.00	\$63.29

Respectfully submitted,  
 N. M. Greene, Asso. Missionary

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21. The report of W. D. Farthing, Treasurer for special fund for salary of Associational Educational Director, was read as follows and was adopted.

Received from Churches .....	\$583.55
Paid Miss Frink .....	550.00
Balance on Hand .....	33.55

This report showed that we needed \$16.45 more money with

which to pay Miss Frink's salary. A collection was taken for this purpose which amounted to \$20.05.

22. The Clerk read the report on Obituaries and called attention to those in the services who had been killed or died. Mrs. G. P. Eggers played, "When They Ring the Golden Bells," on the organ accompanied by the chimes and R. C. Eggers led in prayer in memory of those who have passed on.

23. The Moderator recognized the following visitors: N. L. Harrison, Moderator Stony Fork Association; M. H. Kendall, Mars Hill College; Guy S. Cain, Mt. Zion Association; Bertha Day, Stony Fork Association; Minnie Millsaps, Holston Association Tenn. Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Heath, Randolph Association.

24. Mrs. S. C. Eggers offered the report on Woman's Work. After a motion to adopt the report was discussed by Dr. R. C. Gresham, and was adopted.

### REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

"Laborers Together with God" is the perpetual watchword of our W. M. U. Our watchword for the year is, "Having the Everlasting Gospel to Preach Unto Them That Dwell on the Earth and to Every Nation and Kindred and Tongue and People." Rev. 14:6. The hymn for the year is, "Lead on, O King Eternal." Truly the day of march has come. The opportunity for all Christians has never been greater. Just at the close of a terrible war, the nations of the earth are ready to receive the Bible as never before. To give it to them is our privilege and obligation.

Our Annual W. M. U. Meeting was held with Poplar Grove Church in June with a large attendance. The program was unusually good. Much interest was manifested and it was one of the best meetings in our history.

We now have 13 young people's organizations and 13 W. M. U.'s. We had two new organizations during the past year, but there is much work yet to be done. Total gifts for the year amounted to \$1067.41.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. S. C. Eggers  
Mrs. Dock Hodges

25. Dr. I. G. Greer, General Manager N. C. Baptsit Orphanage, spoke on the Orphanage work in North Carolina. He challenged us to work for better homes in North Carolina as the best orphanage work.







tee. Upon motion to adopt and after discussion by a number of brethren the report was adopted.

### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

During the Associational year of 1944-45 your Executive Committee met three times at the call of our Chairman, R. C. Eggers, as matters of business required. The first meeting was called to prepare a suggested Order Of Business for this Session. Our next meeting was to prepare a program for the Spring Session which was held with Meat Camp Church. Our last meeting was to study the work and needs of our Association and to make recommendations to this Session.

We recommend the following for the consideration of the Association and all our churches:

1. That Miss Kathleen Frink be retained as Associational Educational Director for another year and that each church be requested to indicate through its messengers how much it will give toward paying her salary.

2. That all our churches cover their property with fire insurance.

3. That all our ministers and laymen be encouraged to always magnify the local church as the fundamental unit of the Christian Program, and that each church adopt and strictly adhere to the policy of not inviting any outside minister or laymen to fill the pulpit without first getting the approval of the Pastor or the Board of Deacons. It is the duty of the local church to uphold the pastor as the fundamental leader of the church in the community.

4. That our churches cooperate with their pastors in enrolling in the Ministers Retirement Plan .

5. That our churches should give more attention to New Testament discipline.

6. That our churches give special attention to the Service Men and Women as they return home and that they be given definite responsibility in the local church.

Respectfully submitted,  
Executive Committee

30. By motion duly passed the Executive Committee is empowered to employ an Educational Director for the Association under the same plan as heretofore with the State Mission Board paying one-half the salary.

31. Mrs. Dorothy Greene was elected Director of Vacation Bible Schools.

32. By motion duly carried the Executive Committee is em-

powered to employ an Associational Missionary if suitable arrangements can be worked out.

33. M. H. Kendall spoke on Christian Education, especially with reference to Mars Hill College.

34. The Association adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by Fred Hagaman.

### Wednesday Afternoon Session

34. The Association reconvened at 1:30 P. M. Lawrence Hagaman conducted the devotional service and R. C. Eggers led in prayer.

36. L. M. Hodges read the report on Benevolences. This report was adopted after being discussed by Chas. Parker, Chaplain of the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem.

### REPORT ON BENEVOLENCES

We are proud of our Association in its contributions to Benevolences in the past. In spite of the fact that we have gone forward, we might ask ourselves this question, Have we done our best? To this program Christ gave his best. We should do no less.

We believe that if greater efforts were made to inform our people in regard our benevolent objects, our progress would be greater.

In order to create more interest in this work we offer the following suggestions:

1. That every church member be encouraged to make a contribution, however small, as a part of his worship.

2. That each church make a monthly contribution to the Orphanage.

3. That the Second Sunday in May (Mother's Day) be set apart by every church in the Association as a day to inform the church in regard to the various services rendered by our Hospital at Winston-Salem.

4. That in the same manner we set apart Sunday before Thanksgiving as Orphanage Day.

5. That we continue our Old Ministers Relief.

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. Hodges

J. W. Norris

37. R. H. Satterfield of Meredith College, spoke on Christian Education.

MINUTES OF THE THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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38. L. M. Hodges reported for the Finance Committee as follows:

Received for Minute Fund .....	\$166.96
Paid to the Treasurer .....	166.96

Respectfully submitted,  
 L. M. Hodges  
 Alfred Thomas  
 George Wilson

39. S. C. Eggers read the report on Nominations which was adopted. This report will be found in the Associational Directory.

40. The Treasurer brought his report which was adopted as read.

RECEIPTS

Balance .....	\$ 4.30	
Minute Fund .....	162.09	
Special Collection .....	29.66	
W. M. U. for Minutes .....	11.25	207.80

DISBURSEMENTS

Minutes .....	132.50	
Clerk .....	40.00	
Postage .....	4.80	
Freight on Minutes .....	1.39	
Programs .....	3.59	182.19

Balance .....		25.61
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Respectfully submitted,  
 Clyde R. Greene, Treasurer

41. C. J. Farthing presented the report of the Resolutions Committee and the report was adopted.

**RESOLUTIONS**

We, your Committee on Resolutions, wish to present the following:

1. We extend our sincere thanks to the pastor and people of Boone Baptist Church for the splendid manner in which they have entertained the One Hundred Fifth Session of our Association.
2. We recognize the efficient work of our Moderator and Clerk and extend to them our sincere thanks.
3. In the resignation of Miss Kathleen Frink as Associational Educational Director we have lost a loyal and faithful worker. We tender to her our heartfelt gratitude and sincere appreciation for the

fine way in which she has so faithfully served the churches in study courses and Vacation Bible School during the past year.

4. N. M. Green has tendered his resignation as Associational Missionary after several years' faithful and effective work. We express to him our sincere thanks for his loyal work.

Respectfully submitted,

N. T. Byers  
Raymond Hendrix  
W. J. Farthing  
D. M. Edmisten

42. C. J. Farthing presented the report for the Committee on Time, Place and Preacher as follows which was adopted:

### REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

TIME—Tuesday and Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in August 1946.

PLACE—Rutherwood Baptist Church, Rt. No. 1, Boone, N. C.

PREACHER—Lawrence Hagaman

ALTERNATE—W. D. Ashley

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. Farthing  
Odes Wilson  
Ben Lee Ray

43. By motion duly passed the Clerk was directed to prepare the manuscript for the minutes; have them printed and distributed to the churches and is to receive \$40.00 for this service.

44. The minutes were read, corrected and approved.

45. The Clerk called attention to the fact that at our last Session the Moderator requested W. D. Ashley to lead prayer for the end of the war. At this time the war has ended and he suggested that Christian people should endeavor earnestly to win the peace and to outlaw war. The Moderator called upon Ronda Earp to lead this prayer which he did in a very earnest manner.

46. G. A. Hamby conducted the closing worship. "God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again" was sung and the One Hundred Fifth Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association adjourned, benediction by G. A. Hamby.

J. C. Canipe, Moderator  
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk



**PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPRING SESSION OF THE  
THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

**Held With Meat Camp Baptist Church**

**Boone, N. C. May 4, 1945**

1. The Three Forks Baptist Association met in Special Session with Meat Camp Baptist Church on Friday, May 4, 1945 at 10:00 A. M.

2. Grady Wilson led the opening song service and N. M. Greene led in prayer especially offering thanks for the blessings that are here in the United States.

3. The Moderator, J. C. Canipe, called the Special Session to order for the business of the day.

4. Tipton Greene read the 13th chapter of First Corinthians and without comment led in prayer asking for special blessings on the Three Forks Association and all our churches.

5. R. C. Eggers, Chairman of the Executive Committee, presented the program of the Special Session and the Clerk called the roll, of churches; nineteen responded. The Moderator recognized the pastors present and also the members of the W. M. U. and the B. T. U.

6. S. C. Eggers discussed, "The Southern Baptist Centennial Crusade." He presented some history of the past one hundred years and mentioned several of our outstanding leaders during this period.

7. After singing, "Send the Light" Rev. Zeb A. Caudle, Pastor of Lower Creek Baptist Church, Lenoir, N. C., discussed "Southern Baptists Winning a Million Souls During 1945." Bro. Caudle used 1-3 verses of the 9th chapter of Romans and the 1st verse of the 10th chapter as a basis for his message. His message stressed the following thoughts:

1. To win others we must be soul-minded.
2. To win others we must witness-no other way to spread the gospel.
3. We must have a passion for lost people, laymen as well as preacher.



4. We must witness to those with whom we come in contact as well as unto the utmost part of the world.

5. There are one and one-half million who are lost in N. C.

6. This matter is an individual one. People are won one by one-no mass rēgeneration.

7. The Gospel of Christ is the only thing that can bring permanent peace to the world.

8. Our part in bringing lasting peace is to work in spreading the Gospel of Christ.

8. The Session adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by Ronda Earp.

#### Afternoon Session

9. The Special Session reconvened at 1:00 P. M. G. A. Hamby conducted the devotional service and led in prayer.

10. Miss Kathleen Frink, Associational Educational Director, spoke on, "The Place of Teaching in the Centennial Crusade."

12. J. C. Canipe led in prayer as the congregation stood.

13. Ben Lee Ray spoke on, "The Place of Prayer in the Centennial Crusade."

14. Upon motion of Clyde R. Greene the Association expressed thanks to the Meāt Camp Baptist Church for her hospitality in entertaining the Spring Session.

15. By motion of S. C. Eggers the Association extended its thanks to Rev. Zeb A. Caudle for his inspiring address to this Session.

16. J. C. Canipe called G. A. Hamby, Vice-Moderator to the chair and he discussed the subject, "What Part Should We Play in the Centennial Crusade?"

17. The Special Session adjourned after singing, "Bless Be the Tie," benediction by Ira Hodges.

J. C. Canipe, Moderator

Clyde R. Greene, Clerk

## WILEY F. SHERWOOD

In the long history of Cove Creek Baptist Church, many outstanding christians, men and women, have labored diligently in the Lord's vineyard, but none of them have surpassed in zeal and fervor the late Wiley F. Sherwood.



Bro. Sherwood was born in Grayson County, Virginia, on Oct. 3, 1870, later coming to the Cove Creek community with his father, J. J. L. Sherwood, who was for 24 years the beloved pastor of Cove Creek Baptist Church. When young Wiley was fourteen years of age he was converted and joined this church, remaining a devoted member until his death on Sept. 14, 1944. He was a devout and consecrated laborer in the Lord's work, never being absent from his church unless he was too ill to attend or providentially hindered. Not only was he a regular attendant but he was actively interested in every phase of church work. He was both a

teacher and Sunday School superintendent for many years. All who sat under his instruction were deeply impressed with his knowledge of the Bible and his love for its great truths as well as his readiness to use it as a "lamp unto his feet."

Bro. Sherwood, like the Master, loved and served, went about doing good in his humble way. Many needy and charitable enterprises felt his keen interest and concern. He gave not only of himself but of his means to every worthy cause.

Bro. Sherwood was not only an active member of his church, but a leading citizen of his community who never failed to stand for the civic welfare of his community. He was chairman of the Watauga County Board of Education for many years and the schools in Watauga grew and flourished during this period of time. His love for children, and great concern in child welfare, always dominated his interest in the schools of his county. He believed that every child should be accessible to a school and worked toward that end. His educational vision and foresight have helped to produce a better citizenry in our county.

Bro. Sherwood was a pioneer merchant and leading business man in his community for 52 years. His straight-forward and honest manner in dealing with people won for him a great number of friends. These friends of the community and church have lost one of their most beloved members, but they take consolation in the fact that their loss is his gain. He was a faithful servant of whom it may be said, "Well done thou good and faithful servant."

**DEDICATED TO OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE DIED SINCE  
OUR LAST SESSION**

ANTIOCH—

Mr. Duke Glenn

BEAVER DAM—

Mr. Ralph Moody

BETHEL—

Mr. John M. Edmisten x

Mr. Hal B. Farthing x

BLOWING ROCK—

Rev. Ed Robbins

BOONE—

Mr. Fred Ashley x

Mr. Paul Hagaman x

Mr. D. J. Cottrell

Mrs. Nancy Hagaman

Mrs. D. D. Dougherty

CLARK'S CREEK—

Mrs. Alice Byrd

Mr. W. G. Coffey

COVE CREEK—

Mr. W. F. Sherwood

Mrs. Sarah Mast Smith

EIK KNOB—

Two—No names given

HOWARD'S CREEK—

Mrs. Mary E. Eller

LAUREL SPRINGS—

Mrs. Cordelia Greer

MEAT CAMP—

Mrs. Ellen Lewis

MOUNTAIN DALE—

Mr. C. F. Moody

MT. GILEAD—

Mr. Wesley Phillips

Mr. Paul Swift x

MOUNT LEBANON—

Mr. Carol Eggers x

Mrs. Virgia Gross

Mrs. Nancy Harmon

Mrs. Birdottie Cornell

OAK GROVE—

Mr. Daniel Ward

Mrs. Fina Brown

POPLAR GROVE—

Mrs. Annie Pitts

Mr. Earl Maltba

PROFFIT GROVE—

Mrs. Elizabeth Winebarger

RICH MOUNTAIN—

Mr. James Brown

Mr. J. M. Cornell

Deacon A. B. Greene

RUTHERWOOD—

Hoy W. Norris

THREE FORKS—

Mr. G. E. Hayes

Mrs. G. E. Hayes

Mrs. Laura Wilson

TIMBERED RIDGE—

Mr. Lloyd Smitherman

Mr. Ralph Combs x

UNION—

Deacon Carroll Johnson

Mr. Will Campbell

WILLOWDALE—

Mrs. Mae Smith

ZION HILL—

Mr. R. M. Ward

Mrs. Mary Trivett

Mrs. Sarah Ellen Presnell

ZIONVILLE—

Mr. Claude Grogan

N. G. Greer, Jr. xx

x Killed in Action

xx Died in Service

# Minutes of the Woman's Missionary Union

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Baptist Association met in its Thirty-Second Annual Session with Poplar Grove Baptist Church June 19, 1945, with, "Lead On, O King Eternal" as the theme of the day's program.

With Mrs. Andrew Morgan, Superintendent, presiding, the meeting was opened by singing, "Lead On, O King Eternal". The meditation period was led by the Young People of Poplar Grove Church who sang, "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross," after which Rev. R. C. Eggers led in prayer.

A cordial welcome was given by Mrs. George Austin to which Mrs. J. C. Canipe responded.

Mrs. Dave Mast led in the devotional, using as the basis for her talk Joshua 13:1.

The following pastors and visitors were recognized: Ben Lee Ray, A. E. Moretz, R. C. Eggers, G. A. Hamby, N. M. Greene, Miss Harper, Mrs. John D. Borden, Missionary and Mrs. C. N. Myers, Superintendent of the Wilkesboro Division.

The Superintendent appointed the following committees:

**NOMINATIONS**—Mrs. Wilson Norris, Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Mrs. S. C. Eggers, Mrs. D. F. Horton and Mrs. Smith Harmon.

**RESOLUTIONS**—Mrs. R. S. Swift, Mrs. J. L. Qualls, Mrs. Joe McKiel.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**—Mrs. D. P. Coffey and Mrs. Kent Brown.

**OBITUARIES**—Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Mrs. Edna Hodges and Mrs. Henry Hagaman.

**TIME AND PLACE**—Mrs. Verne Greene, Mrs. Hattie Lewis and Mrs. J. M. Hodges.

A memorial meditation was observed while Cora Lee Setzer and Nora Austin sang, "It Is Well with My Soul."

The Superintendent reported 61 letters and postals writ-



ten; 140 miles traveled and an increase in gifts, tithers and subscriptions to all magazines. Reports were also heard from the Mission Study, Margaret Fund and Training School Chairmen.

The following societies reported with the number of delegates present: Beech Valley 3, Boone 8, Blowing Rock 4, Cove Creek 12, Laurel Springs 1, Meat Camp 6, Oak Grove 13, Poplar Grove 16, Stony Fork 1, Zion Hill 5. Four ladies from Bethel Church were recognized.

The address of the morning was given by Mrs. C. N. Myers on, "Henceforth in Fields of Conquest," in which she mentioned particularly the Heck Memorial Program, helping needy Italian families and the new report blanks.

After a hymn, "The Haven of Rest", by the Poplar Grove girls, the morning session was dismissed with prayer by Miss Kathleen Frink.

#### Afternoon Session

This afternoon session was opened by singing, "All Hail the Power," followed by prayer by Mrs. S. F. Horton.

The Missionary Message of the day was brought by Mrs. John D. Barden, Methodist Missionary to the Belgian Congo, who used as her theme, "With Deeds of Love and Mercy." She emphasized that their aim was to make Jesus Christ known, loved, honored and obeyed throughout the earth. During her message she exhibited some witch medicine and charms believed in by the heathen people among whom she had worked.

The Young Peoples' program, "Lead on in the Training of Youth" with Mrs. Nora M. Wilson as leader, was given by representatives from all the Young Peoples' Organizations. Quiet music was followed by the devotional.

"Following His Design for Missionary Education of Young People" was given as a legend for presentation of the young people's work with Mrs. Nora M. Wilson as the reader and Mrs. Margaret Grigg as the weaver.

"Leading the W. M. S. in Fostering" by Mrs. Jon C. Perry was followed by the Sunbeam Song sung by Margaret Morgan, Boone Sunbeam; Sunbeam Watchword by Joyce Perry and Norma Lee Norris, Cove Creek Sunbeams; scripture



for becoming maidens by Meat Camp G. A.; Watchword and Star Ideals by Cove Creek G. A.; Feature—"God So Loved" by Oak Grove G. A.; Playlet "Timothy's Tithe" by Cove Creek R. A.; talk on Y. W. A. work by Betty Austin, Boone Y. W. A.

The report from Committee on Nominations was adopted as follows:

Superintendent ----- Mrs. Andrew Morgan, Boone  
 Assistant Supt. ----- Mrs. J. L. Qualls, Boone  
 Secretary-Treas. ----- Mrs. Don. C. Perry, Sherwood  
 Young Peoples' Leader ----- Mrs. Nora Wilson, Zionville  
 Community Mission Chm. ----- Mrs. H. R. Eggers, Boone  
 Literature & Library Chm. ----- Mrs. W. C. Greer, Boone  
 Stewardship Chm. ----- Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone  
 Mission Study Chm. ----- Mrs. J. C. Canipe, Boone  
 Margaret Fcnd Chm. ----- Mrs. S. F. Horton, Sugar Grove

The report on Resolutions was adopted as read.

### RESOLUTIONS

We, the members of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Baptist Association who have met here today, wish to voice our appreciation of the many blessings that have been ours in this our Thirty-Second Annual Session. "What shall we render to the Lord for His benefits towards us"?

Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we extend to our sisters in Christ of Poplar Grove Church our heartfelt thanks for their gracious hospitality. May our prayers and efforts continue to be united in this work.

2. That we wish to acknowledge the untiring efforts and accomplishments of our officers and we pledge our prayers and continued service for the Master.

3. That we express our thanks to our sisters and others who have taken part on the program for their service and heartfelt messages which have helped us to gain a more intelligent grasp of the task that is ours.

4. Realizing our responsibility in connection with our Watchwords, "Laborers Together with God" and "Having the Everlasting Gospel to Preach Unto Them That Dwell Upon the Earth and to Every Kindred and Tongue and People," may we pray that the Holy Spirit guide us in this work.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. R. S. Swift

Mrs. Joe McNeil

Mrs. J. L. Qualls

The report on Recommendations was adopted as read.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

We, your Committee, wish to submit the following recommendations:

1. That we study God's word diligently and prayerfully; read it to be wise; believe it to be safe and live it to be happy; for God has said, "Thou shalt meditate therein day and night."

2. That we pay the tithe and then make an offering for God has said, "Ye have robbed me in tithes and offerings." Let us give cheerfully for God loveth a cheerful giver.

3. That we be faithful in every phase of the work in the W. M. U., for God has said, "Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life."

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. D. P. Coffey

Mrs. Kent Brown

The report on Obituaries was adopted as read.

### IN MEMORIAM

Within the last year it has been the will of God to call the following member of the Boone W. M. U. to be with Him:

Mrs. D. D. Dougherty

We feel that the Society to which she belonged has sustained a great loss, but their loss is her eternal gain. "Concerning them which are asleep, ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him." We bow in humble submission to Him, knowing that he doeth all things well. Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved family.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. L. H. Hodges

Mrs. Henry Hagaman

The report on Time and Place was adopted as read.

PLACE—Meat Camp Baptist Church

TIME—To be decided later

The Treasurer's report was adopted as read.

Balance in Treasury April 21, 1944 .....	\$ 1.00
Received at Annual Meeting .....	13.27
Received as Supplement to Minute Fund .....	2.40

Total Receipts ..... 16.77

MINUTES OF THE THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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Paid out for Printing Minutes .....	11.25
Paid Miss Olive Lawton .....	5.00
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Total Paid Out .....	16.25

Balance Jan. 19, 1945 ..... \$ .52

An offering was taken amounting to \$13.42

The President of each society was asked by the Superintendent to solicit money from her society to supplement the salary of Miss Kathleen Frink, Associational Educational Director.

Miss Harper, a Vacation Bible School worker, spoke briefly on the Indian and their work on the Cherokee Indian Reservation.

After a hymn "He Included Me" by Nora Austin, Joan Houser and Fairy Hodges, the closing message, "He That Winneth Souls is Wise" was brought by Rev. Ben Lee Ray after which he closed the Thirty-Second Annual Session with prayer.

Mrs. Andrew Morgan, Superintendent

Mrs. Don. C. Perry, Secretary

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	City, Town, Country?	When Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Reg. Days Mtg.	Gains					Losses					Present Mem.	Non-Res. Members	Weekly Prayer Meet'gs	Rev. Meet'gs Held, Yr	Ob. Lord's Supr.	Rec. Bapt. Paper	Ch. Have Mus. Dir.?	Ch. Have Library?
					Mem. Last Yr.	Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths									
Antioch.....		1849	W. J. Cook, Boone.....	1	213	2	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	211	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Beaver Dam.....		1874	W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock.....	3	203	12	1	..	..	4	1	..	..	1	210	75	..	2	..	..	..	
Beech Valley.....		1841	W. J. Cook, Boone.....	4	57	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	60	17	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Bethany.....		1893	W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock.....	2	142	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	140	32	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Bethel.....		1851	R. H. Shore, Blowing Rock.....	4	263	9	5	..	..	5	..	..	..	270	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Blowing Rock.....		1903	Ben Lee Ray, Blowing Rock.....	All	200	3	3	..	..	5	..	..	..	187	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Brookside.....		1932	C. J. Younce, Eatterson.....	2	30	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	33	2	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Boone.....		1870	J. C. Canipe, Boone.....	All	767	18	38	..	..	35	..	..	..	783	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Brushy Fork.....		1858	W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock.....	1	134	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	128	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Clark's Creek.....		1897	Raymond Hendrix, Boone.....	4	55	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	59	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Cool Springs.....		1888	Tipton Greene, Boone.....	2	116	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	125	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Cove Creek.....		1799	H. K. Middleton, Sherwood.....	All	222	11	2	..	..	4	..	..	..	229	88	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Elk Knob.....		1890	Keene Roark, Creston.....	1	93	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	91	35	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Forest Grove.....		1889	Thomas Stanbery, Butler, Tenn.....	1	160	20	3	..	..	3	..	..	..	178	..	..	2	2	..	..	..	
Gap Creek.....		1882	Raymond Hendrix, Boone.....	4	114	3	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	114	60	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Howards Creek.....		1882	Levi Greene, Deep Gap.....	4	289	8	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	157	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Laurel Springs.....		1873	R. C. Eggers, Zionville.....	2	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	278	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Meat Camp.....		1851	R. C. Eggers, Zionville.....	3	196	6	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	203	50	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Middle Fork.....		1851	Raymond Hendrix, Boone.....	2	152	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	143	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Mount Calvary.....		1880	Ira Hodges, Banner Elk.....	1	232	16	..	..	..	22	..	..	..	230	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Mountain Dale.....		1941	Ronda Earp, Vilas.....	2	40	14	5	..	..	3	..	..	..	57	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Mount Gillead.....		1869	Thomas Stanbery, Butler, Tenn.....	1	116	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	114	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Mount Lebanon.....		1891	N. M. Greene, Boone.....	2	226	7	5	..	..	5	..	..	..	231	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Oak Grove.....		1916	W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock.....	1	200	3	5	..	..	5	1	..	..	200	50	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Pleasant Grove.....		1891	Ronda Earp, Vilas.....	3	268	6	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	270	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Poplar Grove.....		1872	R. C. Eggers, Zionville.....	1	146	23	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	167	65	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Profit Grove.....		1921	Keene Roark, Creston.....	3	156	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	155	35	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Rich Mountain.....		1905	W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock.....	2	79	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	128	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Rutherfordwood.....		1938	W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock.....	2	129	2	2	..	..	4	..	..	..	113	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Shulls Mills.....		1888	J. C. Canipe, Boone.....	4	116	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	136	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
South Fork.....		1833	Vilas Minton, Newland.....	3	141	1	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	195	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Stony Fork.....		1841	G. A. Hamby, Boone.....	2	185	12	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	185	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Tabernacle.....		1941	A. E. Moretz, Boone.....	2	25	4	1	..	..	5	..	..	..	25	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Three Forks.....		1790	Raymond Hendrix, Boone.....	3	114	11	4	..	..	3	..	..	..	122	7	..	2	2	..	..	..	
Timbered Ridge.....		1906	Lawrence Hagaman, Beech Creek.....	1	161	14	5	..	..	2	..	..	..	173	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Union.....		1885	Thomas Stanbery, Butler, Tenn.....	3	292	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	286	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Willowdale.....		1911	G. A. Hamby, Boone.....	2	141	3	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	144	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Willow Valley.....		1935	J. C. Canipe, Boone.....	3	97	13	3	..	..	3	..	..	..	113	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Zion Hill.....		1886	G. A. Hamby, Boone.....	2	156	2	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	154	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
Zionville.....		1886	R. C. Cook, Lenoir.....	1	158	9	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	160	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	
TOTALS.....					6735	255	87	1	4161	5	11			47	6858							117

PASTORS AND POST OFFICES

CHURCHES



TABLE TWO — SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	Cradle Roll, Under 3	Beginners, 3-5 Years	Primaries, 6-8 Years	Juniors, 9-12 Years	Intermediates, 13-16	Young People, 17-24	Adults 25 and Up	Extension Department	Gen., Dept. Officers	Have You Mission SS?	Enrollment Mission SS	Tot. Enrollment, Including Otrs. Teachers	What Is Av. Attend.?	Baptisms from SS	Is the School Graded?	Teachers Holding Dip.	Enrollment Vac. Sch.	Av. Art. Vac. School
Antioch.....	10	8	10	20	18	10	10	..	..	..	..	58	35	..	..	..	..	..
Beaver Dam.....	12	9	12	8	18	23	23	..	..	..	..	82	75	12	..	..	..	..
Beech Valley.....	15	20	15	15	25	25	25	..	..	..	..	75	32	..	..	..	..	..
Bethany.....	6	8	12	18	24	24	24	7	7	..	..	74	45	..	..	..	..	..
Bethel.....	25	20	40	30	40	45	45	11	11	..	..	211	110	9	..	..	..	..
Blowing Rock.....	3	5	5	19	12	3	27	2	2	..	..	76	52	..	..	..	..	..
Brookside.....	2	4	3	5	4	4	29	6	6	..	..	46	25	..	..	..	..	..
Boone.....	88	18	42	57	59	210	97	25	25	..	..	602	224	..	..	..	..	..
Brushy Fork.....	4	19	7	11	15	24	40	..	..	..	..	100	80	..	..	..	..	..
Clark's Creek.....	10	10	..	..	..	18	15	..	..	..	..	43	35	3	..	..	..	..
Cool Springs.....	12	10	10	..	..	18	25	..	..	..	..	65	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cove Creek.....	18	15	20	30	25	40	81	..	..	..	..	229	108	8	2	70	48	..
Elk Knob.....	11	8	12	13	22	15	15	..	..	..	..	81	38	..	..	..	..	..
Forest Grove.....	10	7	10	15	20	15	33	..	..	..	..	90	70	..	..	..	..	..
Gap Creek.....	10	10	15	15	20	15	25	..	..	..	..	95	50	3	..	23	20	..
Howards Creek.....	10	10	8	20	15	20	10	2	2	..	..	72	60	..	..	..	..	..
Laurel Springs.....	6	10	10	15	20	10	35	..	..	..	..	108	45	..	..	18	12	..
Meat Camp.....	9	7	15	8	18	32	32	7	7	..	..	138	70	6	6	49	45	..
Middle Fork.....	12	6	24	12	20	25	25	3	3	..	..	102	47	..	..	..	..	..
Mount Calvary.....	15	8	12	15	40	40	40	8	8	..	..	50	148	113	..	..	..	..
Mountain Dale.....	12	8	10	15	12	21	21	..	..	..	..	78	65	..	..	..	..	..
Mount Gilead.....	8	8	8	..	..	10	12	2	2	..	..	40	38	..	..	..	..	..
Mount Lebanon.....	15	12	10	11	13	18	22	2	2	..	..	84	80	..	..	50	43	..
Oak Grove.....	11	19	22	20	27	50	50	10	10	..	..	182	92	3	6	50	47	..
Pleasant Grove.....	8	12	14	20	25	20	30	24	24	..	..	154	130	..	..	..	..	..
Poplar Grove.....	15	15	18	15	30	32	32	..	..	..	..	134	90	22	..	30	25	..
Profit Grove.....	10	10	12	12	12	12	12	..	..	..	..	125	54	..	..	..	..	..
Rich Mountain.....	9	12	10	14	16	30	30	2	2	..	..	42	40	..	..	..	..	..
Rutherford.....	8	12	10	14	16	30	30	..	..	..	..	93	74	..	..	..	..	..
Shulls Mills.....	9	12	10	14	16	30	30	2	2	..	..	54	36	..	..	..	..	..
South Fork.....	7	7	9	13	13	25	25	6	6	..	..	80	49	..	..	40	35	..
Stony Fork.....	10	25	15	15	20	65	65	..	..	..	..	275	129	..	..	75	60	..
Tabernacle.....	7	7	5	15	15	10	12	..	..	..	..	35	20	..	..	33	18	..
Three Forks.....	24	10	18	5	10	11	49	..	..	..	..	122	66	11	..	..	..	..
Timbered Ridge.....	12	11	13	23	15	24	24	8	8	..	..	106	53	12	..	..	..	..
Union.....	15	12	15	12	35	40	40	..	..	..	..	129	120	..	..	..	..	..
Willowdale.....	3	12	8	9	7	10	14	..	..	..	..	63	38	3	6	28	22	..
Willow Valley.....	11	8	13	..	..	11	34	..	..	..	..	77	60	..	..	60	49	..
Zion Hill.....	11	11	9	..	..	22	22	..	..	..	..	77	60	..	..	..	..	..
Henry Anderson, Vaco, Boone	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

ASSOCIATIONAL SUPT.

C. J. Farthing, Boone

SUPERINTENDENTS AND

POST OFFICES



CHURCHES		ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTOR W. J. Farthing, Sugar Grove		TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND POST OFFICES		Adult Unions	Young People's Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Total Unions, St. Hrs	Adults Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Story Hours Enrolled	Gen. Deptal Officers	Tot. Enr., Un., St. Hrs.	No. Study Crse. Award
Bethel.....						1	1	1	1	1	1	5	26	12	26	27	12	103	..
Boone.....						1	1	1	1	1	1	4	15	47	14	18	..	90	30
Cove Creek.....						1	1	1	1	1	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	7	52
Oak Grove.....						1	1	1	1	1	1	5	15	20	9	..	..	21	90
Poplar Grove.....						1	1	1	4	2	1	9	12	12	26	25	11	..	86
South Fork.....						1	1	1	1	1	2	..	..	..	8	..	6	..	29
Willowdale.....						1	1	1	1	1	5	14	15	7	10	3	..	31	39
TOTALS.....						6	7	9	8	5	35	82	111	82	103	36	34	483	110

TABLE FOUR — WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	Number W. M. S.	Number Y. W. A.'s	Number G. A.'s	Number R. A.'s	Number Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Orgs.	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A.'s Members	G. A.'s Members	R. A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Tot. Members Enrolled	Tot. Enr. Miss. St Crse	Contributions (Local Work) by W. M. U.	Contributions (Mis-stions) by W. M. U.
Beech Valley.....	1	1	..	..	..	1	19	..	..	..	..	19	..	72.50	37.15
Blowing Rock.....	1	..	..	..	..	1	21	..	..	..	..	..	..	930.52	74.60
Boone.....	1	1	2	1	1	6	78	12	25	12	15	142	77	1875.00	669.15
Cove Creek.....	1	..	2	2	1	1	6	38	17	17	13	86	56	19.22	143.38
Laurel Springs.....	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	45.35	13.35
Meat Camp.....	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	..	..	11	11	52	41	60.00	216.81
Oak Grove.....	1	1	1	1	1	4	23	13	15	10	61	19	235.00	567.11	
Poplar Grove.....	1	..	..	..	..	2	24	15	..	..	39	..	..	..	36.00
Stony Fork.....	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zion Hill.....	1	..	..	..	..	1	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTALS.....	10	2	7	5	3	27	235	25	82	50	39	432	193	3271.84	1807.55

TABLE SIX — CHURCH PROPERTY

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	What Materials Were Used?	No. Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rooms	No. Sep. Class Rooms	Value Church House and Grounds	Value Mission Chapel If Any	Value Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Amount of Insurance Carried
Antioch.....	Dwight Cable, Sugar Grove.....	Yes	1903	Wood	300	7	1	6	2500	3800	.....	2500	.....	.....
Beaver Dam.....	C. B. Reese, Trade, Tenn.....	Yes	1924	Wood	350	7	1	6	3800	.....	.....	3800	.....	.....
Beech Valley.....	George M. Harman, Beech Creek.....	Yes	1943	Wood	400	6	1	5	6000	.....	.....	6000	.....	.....
Bethel.....	M. P. Ward, Balm.....	Yes	1943	Wood	250	1	.....	.....	1000	.....	.....	1000	.....	.....
Bethlehem.....	Bert Farthing, Sugar Grove.....	Yes	1898	Brick	450	9	1	8	5000	.....	.....	5000	.....	.....
Brookside.....	Mrs. L. A. Hollar, Blowing Rock.....	Yes	1924	Brick	250	8	1	7	17000	6500	.....	23500	1800	12000
Brookside.....	Eunice Greer, Yadin Valley.....	Yes	1938	Wood	300	1	.....	.....	2600	.....	.....	2600	.....	.....
Boone.....	H. W. Wilcox, Boone.....	Yes	1929	Brick	850	47	6	41	75000	7500	.....	82500	.....	11500
Brushy Fork.....	Minnie Dare Greene, Vilas.....	Yes	1881	Wood	300	6	1	5	4000	.....	.....	4000	.....	.....
Clark's Creek.....	Harston Coffey, Banner Elk.....	Yes	1941	Wood	300	1	.....	.....	3000	.....	.....	3000	.....	.....
Cool Springs.....	E. E. Carlton, Blowing Rock.....	Yes	1943	Brick	300	1	.....	.....	3500	.....	.....	3500	.....	.....
Cove Creek.....	Mrs. Hattie S. Lewis, Sherwood.....	Yes	1923	Brick	400	11	1	10	10000	4000	.....	14000	.....	6000
Elk Knob.....	W. C. South, Tamarack.....	Yes	1890	Wood	200	1	.....	.....	5000	.....	.....	5000	.....	.....
Forest Grove.....	Mack Johnson, Vilas.....	Yes	1907	Wood	450	9	1	8	1400	.....	.....	1400	.....	.....
Gap Creek.....	Russell Welborn, Deep Gap.....	Yes	1882	Wood	300	5	1	4	1500	.....	.....	1500	.....	.....
Howards Creek.....	L. F. Cottrell, Boone.....	Yes	1900	Wood	400	4	1	3	1000	.....	.....	1000	.....	.....
Laurel Springs.....	Clifford Ray, Deep Gap.....	Yes	1938	Brick	300	1	.....	.....	6000	.....	.....	6000	.....	.....
Meat Camp.....	M. C. Brown, Boone.....	Yes	1927	Wood	400	5	1	4	5000	.....	.....	5000	.....	2500
Middle Fork.....	L. P. Hodges, Blowing Rock.....	Yes	1905	Wood	300	1	.....	.....	2000	.....	.....	2000	.....	.....
Mount Calvary.....	Homer Shoemaker, Balm.....	Yes	1933	Brick	400	6	1	5	10000	350	3000	13350	.....	4000
Mountain Dale.....	C. T. Cornett, Reese.....	Yes	1942	Wood	200	4	1	3	3000	.....	.....	3000	.....	1000
Mount Gilthead.....	W. L. Greenwell, Heaton.....	Yes	.....	Wood	200	1	.....	.....	2000	.....	.....	2000	.....	.....
Mount Lebanon.....	Clarence Earp, Vilas.....	Yes	1891	Wood	350	5	1	4	3500	.....	.....	3500	.....	.....
Oak Grove.....	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams.....	Yes	1897	Brick	400	6	1	5	7200	.....	.....	7200	.....	2000
Pleasant Grove.....	John Hagaman, Zionville.....	Yes	1898	Wood	500	5	1	4	2000	.....	.....	3000	.....	.....
Poplar Grove.....	T. C. Hodges, Boone.....	Yes	1914	Wood	225	6	1	5	5000	.....	.....	5000	.....	.....
Profit Grove.....	L. E. Wilson, Zionville.....	Yes	1919	Wood	300	3	1	2	2000	.....	.....	2000	.....	1200
Rich Mountain.....	L. E. Beach, Zionville.....	Yes	1907	Wood	200	1	.....	.....	1000	.....	.....	1000	.....	.....
Rutherfordwood.....	Mrs. B. D. Clawson, Boone.....	Yes	1939	Wood	400	1	.....	.....	2800	.....	.....	2800	.....	2000
Shulls Mills.....	Fred Hatley, Shulls Mills.....	Yes	1888	Wood	300	1	.....	.....	500	.....	.....	500	.....	.....
South Fork.....	Leslie Norris, Todd.....	Yes	1900	Wood	300	1	.....	.....	3000	.....	.....	3000	.....	.....
Stony Fork.....	John Welborn, Stony Fork.....	Yes	1941	Brick	600	12	1	11	5000	.....	.....	5000	.....	.....
Tabernaacle.....	Fred N. Brown, Boone.....	Yes	1928	Wood	250	4	1	3	3000	.....	.....	3000	.....	.....
Three Forks.....	Walter F. Edmisten, Boone.....	Yes	1922	Wood	300	5	1	4	1500	.....	.....	1500	.....	.....
Timbered Ridge.....	Wade F. Greene, Reese.....	Yes	1912	Wood	295	5	1	4	2800	.....	.....	2800	.....	.....
Union.....	J. M. Burkett, Mabel.....	Yes	1940	Wood	500	7	1	6	4500	.....	.....	4500	.....	.....
Willowdale.....	I. A. Bumgarner, Vilas.....	Yes	1923	Wood	300	1	.....	.....	3000	.....	.....	3000	.....	.....
Willow Valley.....	Geo. W. Harman, Sugar Grove.....	Yes	.....	Wood	200	1	.....	.....	1000	.....	.....	1000	.....	.....
Zion Hill.....	Lewis Harman, Beech Creek.....	Yes	1886	Wood	400	3	1	2	2000	.....	.....	2000	.....	.....
Zionville.....	Mrs. Mozella Thomas, Zionville.....	Yes	1928	Wood	300	7	1	6	5000	.....	.....	5000	.....	3000
TOTALS.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13150	216	31	171	226100	350	21000	247450	1800	49200





TABLE EIGHT — MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND ALL BENEVOLENCES

CHURCHES

Church	Total to Co-operative Program	Special to Associa-tional Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Schools and Colleges	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Special to Ministers' Retirement Fund	Red Cross and Foreign Relief	Other Objects	Total Given for Mis-sions by Church and All Its Departments	Grand Total, All Pur-poses, Given by the Church and Its Orgs.
Antioch.....	10.00											62.15	389.33
Beaver Dam.....			3.55	3.25	17.00	3.55	34.40	17.75	5.85			123.54	360.37
Beech Valley.....	5.00		19.25	19.00			53.49	11.85		48.29		166.55	544.15
Bethany.....		12.00					89.93	10.00				121.93	553.93
Bethel.....	162.39	60.00	24.10	12.56	31.58		187.30	36.21		15.60		533.71	1416.23
Blowing Rock.....	117.00						18.70	10.50				165.20	3759.56
Brookside.....													245.40
Boone.....	745.00	125.00	20.00		35.00		491.95	191.00	100.00	25.00		556.30	2239.25
Brushy Fork.....							35.00	20.00		37.00		132.85	917.00
Clark's Creek.....				15.00	9.00		45.90	13.47				70.06	257.06
Cool Springs.....				51.50			41.87	20.00		3.00		116.37	620.45
Cove Creek.....	297.44	17.75				29.00	174.19	43.00		133.00		694.38	2690.35
Elk Knob.....													235.00
Forest Grove.....	44.04						44.04	14.28				110.86	1169.37
Gap Creek.....			17.75	12.71	19.04		84.00	14.00		20.00		196.71	2545.95
Howards Creek.....							45.88			6.75		52.63	561.81
Laurel Springs.....		25.00	6.90		6.96		92.11	25.00	8.00			163.97	3060.09
Meat Camp.....		60.00	5.15	17.24			225.37	14.13	4.83			340.07	1634.93
Middle Fork.....										9.55		25.35	342.01
Mount Calvary.....	60.00						79.00	21.34		26.61		186.95	965.59
Mountain Dale.....		20.20	1.99		2.87		142.03	27.47				194.56	707.88
Mount Gillean.....							20.56	21.89				42.45	464.65
Mount Lebanon.....		18.85		84.00			38.05	6.69				147.55	917.73
Oak Grove.....	77.00	50.60	28.00	29.60	20.57		121.59	44.31	27.44	190.59	9.00	598.10	2478.09
Pleasant Grove.....	36.15						174.68	14.85				225.66	1170.98
Poplar Grove.....	10.00	25.00	21.73				105.09	14.00	6.00	10.00		191.82	1000.73
Profit Grove.....	11.00						27.00	15.08				53.08	357.65
Rich Mountain.....													170.16
Rutherford.....					11.51		66.12	20.28		11.62		109.53	1058.79
Shulls Mills.....	8.61						42.43	10.11		25.00		86.15	358.44
South Fork.....	76.00			6.00	10.41		33.06	21.00	9.00			163.13	3396.67
Stony Fork.....	98.72			36.29	2.00		55.63	65.13	9.60		7.66	265.37	2186.45
Tabernacle.....	16.50						40.51	7.00		17.00		84.01	2931.72
Three Forks.....	75.00						316.40	13.59		23.75		428.74	2430.07
Timbered Ridge.....	13.04		2.00	5.03			16.44	15.22				4.86	56.59
Union.....	80.00						112.00	38.00	7.80	136.00		248.00	478.45
Willowdale.....	50.00						60.00	30.00				197.80	626.80
Willow Valley.....	80.00						105.00	20.00	20.00	20.00		218.11	839.05
Zion Hill.....							29.81	28.77				58.58	540.29







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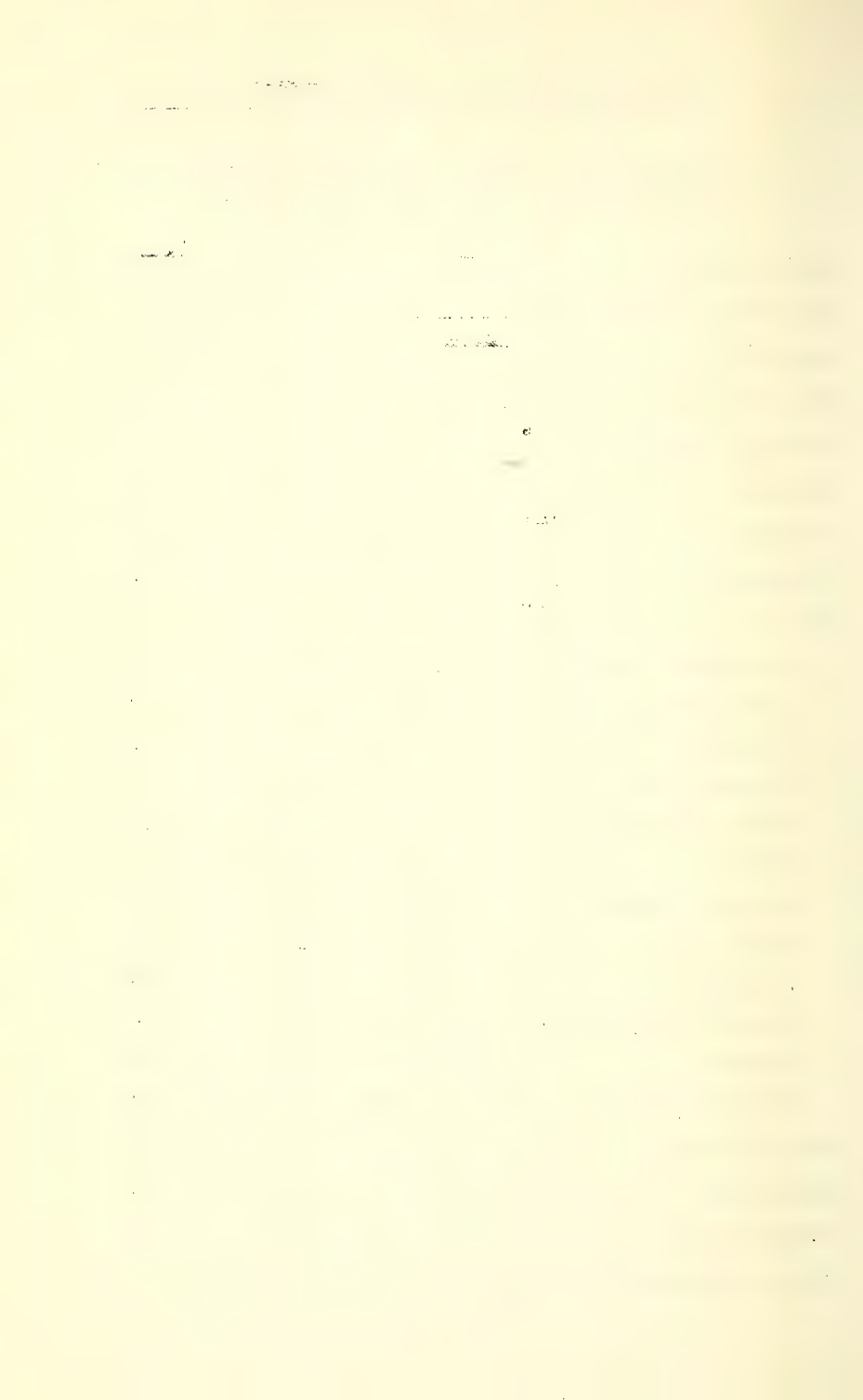
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- 9:00- 9:25—Devotional and Roll Call  
9:25- 9:45—Address of Moderator  
9:45-10:30—Temperance  
10:30-11:00—Religious Literature  
11:00-11:15—Announcements and Miscellaneous  
11:15-12:00—Annual Sermon—W. D. Ashley

**NOON RECESS**

- 1:00- 1:15—Devotional  
1:15- 2:30—Missions (State, Home and Foreign)  
2:30- 3:15—Christian Education (15 minutes each for Colleges,  
Sunday Schools and B. T. U.)  
3:15- 3:30—Closing Worship

**Wednesday, August 27, 1947**

- 9:00- 9:15—Devotional  
9:15- 9:30—Obituaries  
9:30-10:00—Woman's Work  
10:00-10:15—Anouncements and Miscellaneous  
10:15-11:00—Report of Executive Committee  
11:00-11:45—Associational Progress  
11:45-12:00—Election of Officers

**NOON RECESS**

- 1:00- 1:15—Devotional  
1:15- 2:30—Benevolences (Orphanage, Hospital and Old Minister's Relief)  
2:30- 3:00—Reports—Treasurer, Finance, Nominations, Resolutions and Time, Place and Preacher  
3:00- 3:30—Miscellaneous and Reading of the Minutes  
3:30- 3:45—Closing Worship

# ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY

## OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

H. K. Middleton, Moderator	Sherwood
R. C. Eggers, Vice-Moderator	Zionville
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treasurer	Boone
W. J. Farthing, Historian	Valle Crucis
C. J. Farthing, Song Leader	Boone
Wade E. Brown, Hospital Director	Boone
Russell D. Hodges, Orphanage Director	Boone
W. J. Farthing, B. T. U. Director	Valle Crucis
C. J. Farthing, Sunday School Director	Boone

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

R. C. Eggers, Chairman	Zionville
Cecil Glenn	Sugar Grove
N. M. Greene	Boone
Tom Lawrence	Vilas
Ben Lee Ray	Blowing Rock
H. K. Middleton	Sherwood
Clyde R. Greene	Boone

## NOMINATIONS

Missions	N. M. Greene and Wade E. Brown
Religious Literature	Cecil Glenn and Ralph Beshears
Associational Progress	S. C. Eggers and Raymond Hendrix
Benévolences	Lawrence Hagaman and Wilson Norris
Temperance	H. R. Eggers and Tom Lawrence
Christian Education	J. H. Winkler and Clyde Greene of Beaver Dam.
Woman's Work	Mrs. Don C. Perry and Mrs. Claude Edmístén
Resolutions	Mrs. S. C. Eggers and C. J. Farthing
Obituaries	I. B. Wilson and Mrs. S. F. Horton

## BAPTIST TRAINING UNION ORGANIZATION

Director	W. J. Farthing, Valle Crucis
Associate Director	I. B. Wilson, Zionville
Secretary-Treasurer	Katherine Sherwood Isaacs, Sugar Grove
Chorister	Wm. Hodges, Boone
Pianist	Betty Jean Farthing, Boone

Pastor Advisor ----- Ben Lee Ray, Blowing Rock  
 Adult Leader ----- C. J. Farthing, Boone  
 Young Peoples' Leader ----- Cecil Glenn, Sugar Grove  
 Intermediate Leader ----- Mrs. Maxie Edmisten, Vilas  
 Junior Leader ----- Mrs. Odes Wilson, Zionville  
 Story Hour Leader ----- Mrs. Cecil Glenn, Sugar Grove  
 Group Directors: Grace Sherwood, Sugar Grove; Mrs. Ethel  
 Hodges, Boone; Vance Culler, Adams and Grady Wilson, Boone.

### W. M. U. ORGANIZATION

Superintendent ----- Mrs. J. C. Canipe, Boone  
 Associate Superintendent ----- Mrs. J. L. Qualls, Boone  
 Secretary-Treasurer ----- Mrs. Don C. Perry, Sherwood  
 Young Peoples Leader ----- Mrs. Odes Wilson, Zionville  
 Community Mission Chairman ---- Mrs. H. R. Eggers, Boone  
 Literature & Library Chmn. ----- Mrs. W. C. Greer, Boone  
 Stewardship Chairman ----- Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone  
 Mission Study Chairman ---- Mrs. H. K. Middleton, Sherwood  
 Margaret Fund Chairman ---- Mrs. S. F. Horton, Sugar Grove

### SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

Superintendent ----- C. J. Farthing, Boone  
 Associate Superintendent ----- W. J. Farthing, Valle Crucis  
 Secretary ----- Miss Alice Wilson, Boone  
 Group Leaders ---- E. Y. Edmisten, I. B. Wilson, Paul Winkler  
 and Grady Wilson  
 Cradle Roll Leader ----- Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams  
 Beginners' Leader ----- Mrs. Don Perry, Sherwood  
 Primary Leader -----  
 Junior Leader ----- Mrs. Odes Wilson, Zionville  
 Intermediate Leader ----- Mrs. Howard Gragg, Boone  
 Young Peoples' Leader ----- Mrs. Ella Beshears, Boone  
 Adult and Extension ----- Dr. J. T. C. Wright, Boone  
 Vacation Bible Schools ----- Mrs. Dorothy Greene, Boone

### ORDAINED MINISTERS

ANTIOCH—Bynum Trivett, Sugar Grove  
 BETHANY—James Allen, Rominger; J. T. McGuire, Altapass  
 BEHEL—E. J. Farthing, Sugar Grove  
 BLOWING ROCK—Ben Lee Ray, Blowing Rock



- BOONE—J. C. Canipe, D. M. Edmisten, Wiley Smith and Tipton Greene, Boone
- COOL SPRINGS—W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock, and Howard Shore, Boone
- COVE CREEK—H. K. Middleton, Sherwood
- ELK KNOB—Noah Johnson, Todd and Hiram Phillips, Trout
- LAUREL SPRINGS—J. L. Greene, Maple Springs and W. C. Greene, Deep Gap
- MEAT CAMP—A. E. Moretz, Boone
- MIDDLE FORK—R. H. Shore, Blowing Rock and J. J. Matney
- MOUNT CALVARY—Roby Painter, Balm, and Ira Hodges, Banner Elk
- MOUNT LEBANON—T. T. Danner, Valle Crucis and Ronda Earp, Vilas
- PLEASANT GROVE—John Hagaman, Zionville
- POPLAR GROVE—Clayton Greene, Shulls Mills
- RUTHERWOOD—A. B. Church, Boone
- STONY FORK—Henry Smith, Deep Gap and T. C. Robbins, Lenoir
- THREE FORKS—Raymond Hendrix, N. M. Greene and Bearol Culler, Boone
- ZION HILL—Lawrence Hagaman, Beech Creek and Thomas Stanberry, Butler, Tenn.
- ZIONVILLE—R. C. Eggers and D. C. Trivett, Zionville

### LICENTIATES

- BETHANY—A. T. Watson and Gold Hicks, Rominger
- STONY FORK—Macon Greene, Stony Fork
- TIMBERED RIDGE—John Ward and Albert Tester, Reese

## LIST of MESSENGERS

ANTIOCH—W. D. Harmon, M. A. Trivett and G. A. Edmisten

BEAVER DAM—Lee Swift, Dallas Wilson and Clay Robinson

BEECH VALLEY—W. S. Harmon, Sam Ward and O. H. Trivett

BETHANY—A. T. Watson, James Allen and Robert Allen

BETHEL—Bert Farthing, Edmund Farthing and Howard Lawrence

BLOWING ROCK—

BOONE—S. C. Eggers, J. A. Williams and Mrs. W. F. Miller

BROOKSIDE—

BRUSHY FORK—T. L. Mast, S. E. Anderson and Earl Colvard

CLARK'S CREEK—W. C. Smith, Harston Coffey and James Byrd

COOL SPRINGS—Howard Shore, W. W. Austin and L. C. Rogers

COVE CREEK—Maude Perry, Mrs. W. E. Sheffield and Mrs. Juanita G. Bunton

ELK KNOB—J. M. South, Mary South and Grady Potter

FOREST GROVE—Dave Greene, Chas. Johnson and Russell Roark

GAP CREEK—Thomas Fairchild, Clyde Moretz and Russell Welborn

GREEN VALLEY—Earl Combs, Clyde Greene and Edgar Fathing

HOWARDS CREEK—Gurney Norris, J. E. Norris and Howard Miller

LAUREL SPRINGS—R. W. Idol, Wm. Day and Joe L. Coffey

MEAT CAMP—J. W. Byers, Verne Greene and M. C. Brown

MIDDLE FORK—Will Hayes, H. B. Triplett and L. P. Hodges

MOUNTAIN DALE—Collas Greene, Roy Norris and Chas. Phillips

MOUNT CALVARY—Homer Shoemaker, R. E. Smith and Henry McGuire

MOUNT GILEAD—Smith Eggers, G. M. Lawrence and Ted Reese

MOUNT LEBANON—J. E. Maltba, John Earp and I. N. Minton

OAK GROVE—J. C. Hodges, C. J. Farthing and L. M. Hodges

PLEASANT GROVE—John Hagaman, Don Perry and Ben Culler

POPLAR GROVE—Wm. Day, P. M. Winkler and George Austin

PROFFIT GROVE—Arie Proffit, Frank Winebarger and Clint Miller

RICH MOUNTAIN—Wray Beach, L. E. Beach and T. O. Eggers

RUTHERWOOD—S. B. Brown, John R. Hodges and Archie Carroll

SHULLS MILLS—Mont Teague, Mrs. J. E. Teague and Mrs. Mamie Shull

SOUTH FORK—Paige Norris, Roy Jones and Eugene Seatz

STONY FORK—Joe Wellborn, Prince Hamby and Thomas Miller

TABERNACLE—Mrs. Etta Brown, Glenn Stanberry and Mrs. B. H. Phillips

THREE FORKS—M. C. Hollar, A. J. Edmisten and E. E. Coffey

TIMBERED RIDGE—A. C. Greene, Joe Farthing and E. B. Hagaman

UNION—W. M. Thomas, R. H. Townsend and Barnie Oliver

WHITE ROCK—Mrs. H. H. Shook, Pauline Shook and L. D. Rupard

WILLOWDALE—J. W. Farthing, Cecil Glenn and I. A. Bumgarner

WILLOW VALLEY—D. L. Greene, Oscar Ward and Clara Simpson

ZION HILL—J. R. Trivett, Roby Presnell and Ronald Ward

ZIONVILLE—Clay Reese, N. T. Byers and W. K. Wilson

# CONSTITUTION

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association who, on producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, the ministers being members ex-officio.

2. In the letters from the different churches is to be expressed their numbers in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed by letter, excommunicated and dead since last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any special power over the churches. They shall not infringe any internal right of any church in this Union.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and clerk who shall be chosen annually by the suffrage of the members present.

5. New churches or any regular church of Christ being legally dismissed by letter by any sister Association, upon application and delegates, shall be admitted to our Union.

6. Every church in the Association shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

7. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be once read and before it is debated the Moderator shall put it to a vote, and if there is a majority for it being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and be debated, but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of their proceedings. The best method of accomplishing this purpose shall be at the direction of the future Associations.

10. We think it is absolutely necessary that we should have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For the raising and supporting of which we think it to be the duty of each church in the Union to contribute annually such sums as they shall think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association. The money thus raised shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer,



appointed by the Association, who shall be accountable for the same. He shall pay the money out from time to time as the Association may direct.

11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for his services.

12. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needs be, and signed by the Moderator and the Clerk before the Association rises.

13. Amendments to the plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association when they deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months prior notice.

14. The Association shall have power:

To provide for the general union of the churches.

To endeavor to preserve a chain of union amongst the churches.

To give the churches the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

To appropriate the money contributed by the churches for an Associational fund to any purpose they may think proper.

To have power to withdraw from any church in their Union who shall violate the rules of this Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

To correspond with sister Associations.

To invite any Baptist in the ministry to a seat in the Association, who may be present at the time of their sitting.

To adjourn the Association to any future time and place they may think proper and most convenient to the churches of the Union.

## Rules of Decorum

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

3. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect upon the person who spoke before him as to make remarks on his steps, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state the matter as he can do so as to give his views or ideas.



4. No person shall abruptly break or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

5. No person shall rise and speak more than three times to any one subject without liberty from the Association.

6. No member shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same or whispering in the time of public speaking.

7. No member shall address another in any other appellation than that of brother.

8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

9. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as required by the Association.

10. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any of the other members, provided the chair be filled. He shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

# PROCEEDINGS

*of the*

## Three Forks Baptist Association

Held With

### RUTHERWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Boone, N. C., RFD No. 1

### FIRST DAY

**Tuesday, August 27, 1946**

### MORNING SESSION

1. The One Hundred Sixth Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina met with Rutherford Baptist Church, RFD No. 1, Boone, N. C., on Tuesday, August 27, 1946 at 9:10 A. M.

2. The opening song, "All Hail the Power" was led by C. J. Farthing and Carl Triplett conducted the worship service. He read the 23rd Psalm and led in prayer.

3. The Moderator, J. C. Canipe, called the Session to order for the transaction of business.

4. R. C. Eggers, Chairman of the Executive Committee, presented the Report from the Committee on Order of Business which was adopted with an amendment thereto giving the Moderator the power to change the program when he desired.

5. The Clerk, Clyde R. Greene, called the roll of the churches. Twenty-three answered present. All the churches except Brookside have sent in letters.

6. The Moderator named the following committees:  
NOMINATIONS—H. K. Middleton, Ben Lee Ray and N. M. Greene

FINANCE—Dallas Wilson, R. C. Eggers and J. L. Miller

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER—W. J. Farthing, Walter Carroll and Smith Harmon

7. The Moderator delivered his Annual Address in which he outlined a program for the churches of the Three Forks Association as follows:

1. Every church should adopt a budget which should include all objects of the Denomination.
2. Call pastors for an indefinite period instead of the annual call.
3. Fields should be formed and the pastor should live near his churches.
4. The churches should see to it that their members read at least four denominational papers—Charity and Children, Biblical Recorder, Home Mission Journal and Foreign Mission Journal.
5. A Woman's Missionary Society should be in every church in our Association.
6. At least one revival every year in all our churches.
7. Cooperate with our Associational Sunday School Superintendent in his efforts to promote better Sunday Schools.
8. Better and more worshipful music; we need heart music.
9. A good weekly prayer meeting led by the pastor in every church.
10. Refusal on the part of all our churches to ordain a candidate for the ministry until he has proven himself in doctrine and right living.

8. The report of the Executive Committee was read by the Clerk who discussed the report at the suggestion of the Chairman of the Committee, Rev. R. C. Eggers. The report was adopted without further discussion.

### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

During the past year the Executive Committee met three times at the call of the Chairman, R. C. Eggers as matters required the consideration of the Committee.

At our first meeting a "Suggested Order of Business" was prepared and adopted for our present Session.

We met next to prepare a program for the Spring Session which was held with Poplar Grove Baptist Church.

At our last meeting we studied the needs of our Association and have the following recommendations for the consideration of the Association:

1. Realizing that the Sunday School, as the teaching agency of the church, is of great importance to Kingdom work and progress we endorse the Sunday School Enlargement Campaign and urge all our churches to participate therein each year.
2. We recommend that all our churches cooperate with their pastors in enrolling in the Ministers' Retirement Plan.
3. We recommend that our churches give more attention to the New Testament plan of discipline.
4. We recommend that our Association accept the suggested quota of \$1000.00 for Relief and Rehabilitation of Southern Baptist

Work around the world and urge our churches to have a part in this worthy cause.

5. We recommend that our Association employ an Educational Director under the same plan as heretofore used.

Respectfully submitted,  
Executive Committee

9. Lawrence Hagaman presented the report on temperance. After a motion to adopt this report was discussed by J. A. Williams, R. M. Hauss, representing Allied Church League, R. C. Eggers, J. C. Canipe, Wade E. Brown and Eldridge Trivett and it was adopted.

### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

It is the duty of every citizen, especially Christian citizens, to try to make our country a better place in which to live and rear our children.

We are faced with nothing more important now than our deadly enemy, the liquor traffic, which is rightfully called, "Public Enemy Number One." We, as Christians, are almost asleep on the job. To defeat this enemy we will have to sacrifice, work, teach and pray. We should teach temperance in the Sunday School, W. M. U., B. T. U. and in all other church work.

We must understand that we are not dealing with a passing problem. The forces of evil are never overcome completely. Satan is the cause of all the sin in the world and he has his forces organized. So we must organize to continue our battle for the right as long as the forces of evil are loose in the world.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lawrence Hagaman  
Henry Hagaman

10. The Moderator called for any new churches seeking membership in our Association and two responded with messengers and letters: Green Valley, Reese, N. C. and White Rock, Banner Elk, N. C. The Moderator appointed a committee composed of S. C. Eggers, J. J. Welborn and R. H. Townsend to examine the letters and messengers from the two churches.

11. The Moderator requested all ministers present to stand and twelve responded.

12. The following visitors were recognized: N. L. Harrison, Moderator, Stony Fork Association; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Gragg, Stony Fork Association; G. F. Critcher, Stony Fork Association; L. L. Estep, Avery Association; W. N. Brookshire,



Wilkesboro; G. W. Bullard, Associate State Sunday School Secretary, Raleigh Association; Mrs. J. F. McGill, Hampton, Va.; J. C. Pipes, Buncombe Association and Victor Trivett, Watauga Association, Butler, Tenn.

13. The congregation stood and after a song a season of prayer was engaged in led by W. J. Farthing, J. G. Allen, H. K. Middleton and J. C. Canipe.

14. Lawrence Hagaman, the appointee to preach the Annual Sermon, took charge of the service. He read from the first chapter of First Thessalonians and G. A. Hamby led in prayer. Bro. Hagaman announced his subject, "The Model Church." He emphasized fifteen attributes of the Model Church as follows:

1. The Model Church is an example.
2. Jesus is the head of the Model Church.
3. The Model Church recognizes the Holy Spirit.
4. The Model Church looks to God and keeps His commandments.
5. The Model Church is a church of faith in three steps—Knowledge, Belief and Practice.
6. The Model Church is a church of love.
7. The membership of the Model Church is saved.
8. The Model Church loves the lost.
9. The Model Church seeks to tell the gospel story to others.
10. Prayer is not neglected by the Model Church.
11. The Model Church recognizes the necessity of genuine repentance and regeneration before church membership and baptism.
12. The interest of the Model Church in lost people should produce upright living on the part of her members.
13. The Model Church praises God.
14. The members of the Model Church are "lively stones."
15. The Model Church will feed the people and carry the gospel to the entire world.

Bro. Hagaman closed his message with prayer.

15. The Association adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by Howard Shore.

### NOON RECESS

16. The Association reconvened at 1:00 P. M. After a song, J. C. Canipe read a scripture and N. M. Greene led in prayer.

17. S. C. Eggers reported for the Committee to examine the two churches seeking membership with us. The report was



favorable to their admission and White Rock and Green Valley Baptist Churches were received by a unanimous vote of the Association. The hand of welcome was extended to the pastors and messengers from these two new churches by the Moderator.

18. At the suggestion of S. C. Eggers a collection was taken for the two new churches amounting to \$90.38 which was divided equally between them.

19. The report on Missions was offered by Mrs. J. C. Canipe. This report was discussed by J. C. Pipes, W. J. Farthing, J. C. Canipe, Lawrence Hagaman and Levi Greene. The report was adopted.

### REPORT ON MISSIONS

"Missions is our mission" as someone has truly said. Whether it be the winning of a soul in our own church or the healing of a leper in China it is missions according to the New Testament.

The war has cost more than we can compute in money, in emotional strain and in life itself; but the war did allow us to see something of missions in the Orient and in the Pacific. A British Major wrote of the missionaries in India as those above all others who had kept alive the respect for the white man in the Orient.

The task of Christian Missions is a long-range one, though it offers first hand results for every day's work even now. We do not ever get through with the task but we see each day the fruits of the labors of the Christian worker. Not many of us expect the world to be won to Christ in one generation but we must remember that we are a link in a chain that connects the past with the future. Today there are seven million Christians in India. Did Carey and others work in vain? I think not.

The gospel will outlast the world. It is stronger than the hammers which beat upon it. The confidence is enough to keep thousands of missionaries on the field and millions of supporters at this God-given task. Let us not grow weary in well doing for we shall reap in due season if we faint not.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. C. Canipe.

20. The Committee on Christian Education was not ready to report but the Moderator opened the subject for discussion and presented Claude F. Gaddy, Executive Secretary of the Council on Christian Education, who discussed our State Public School System and our Baptist System of Colleges. G. W. Bullard spoke on the Sunday School enlargement campaign conducted in our Association this summer. He also outlined the

work as planned for the ensuing year. C. J. Farthing, Associational Sunday School Director, announced an all day meeting at Cove Creek Baptist Church on Sunday, Sept. 29, 1946 for Sunday School officers and teachers. During the week of Sept. 29th three Bible Schools will be taught in the Association. W. J. Farthing presented his report as B. T. U. Director and led the discussion. The report was adopted.

### REPORT ON B. T. U. WORK

I wish to submit the following report for the Associational year from Sept. 1, 1945 to Aug. 31, 1946. I have visited five churches. Three new unions have been organized at Zion Hill, Timbered Ridge and Brushy Fork. We now have active unions in ten of our churches.

The Baptist Training Union work is badly needed in our churches. It is very difficult to interest churches in training work where their pastors are not interested. The churches should have study courses this fall and winter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. Farthing, Training Union Director

21. The congregation stood and was led in prayer by W. R. Brookshire. H. K. Middleton conducted the closing worship after a motion to adjourn had been adopted, benediction by R. C. Eggers.

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28, 1946

#### MORNING SESSION

22. The Moderator called the Session to order at 9:05 A. M. After a short song service, Ben Lee Ray conducted the opening worship service.

23. The clerk read the report on Obituaries which showed that 39 of our members have died since last Session.

24. Mrs. B. F. Hodges read the report on Woman's Work. Mrs. J. C. Canipe spoke to the report and it was adopted.

### REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

"Laborers Together with God," the perpetual watchword of our Woman's Missionary Union, is a reminder that Christians must be true and labor for the mission of Christ.

Our theme for the year is, "Let Us Prepare Now to Build." The deplorable conditions existing today should lead us to put on the armor of light and help the world to build—build for Christ that

we may dispel the many doubts and fears that overshadow the earth.

Our annual watchword is found in Isaiah 45:22, "Look unto Me and Be Ye Saved, All the Ends of the Earth; for I Am God, and there is None else." Our hymn for the year is "We've a Story To Tell to the Nations."

We Christians have the message of light to give that will bring all the world's people out of darkness to the truth of God. As never before each of us must do her part and loyally give her best to the Master. Let us labor together, not with fear, but with courage and gratitude, because we are blessed with the privilege of being a witness for Him who came that we might have life. Surely every Christian woman wants to do more for His cause.

Our Annual W. M. U. Meeting was held with Meat Camp Church in June. There was a large attendance and a good program on "Christ for the World." We now have 11 Woman's Missionary Unions with seventeen Young People's Organizations. Total gifts for the year were \$1579.28.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Dock Hodges  
Mrs. J. L. Qualls.

25. H. K. Middleton presented a Bible to the Moderator, J. C. Canipe, who is leaving the Association. Bro. Canipe in a very gracious manner thanked Bro. Middleton and the Association for the Bible and also for the cooperation he had received while serving as Moderator.

26. Ellis Coffey presented the report on Religious Literature. Upon motion to adopt the report was discussed by Dr. L. L. Carpenter, Editor of Biblical Recorder, J. C. Canipe, W. J. Farthing and was adopted.

### **REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE**

An opportunity which should be proudly accepted by each church in the Three Forks Association is that of helping to select the reading material for her members. The Sunday School, B. T. U. and W. M. U. help greatly in informing our people regarding our work at home and abroad.

Our Baptist publishing houses furnish all kinds of good books at reasonable prices. We suggest that all our members read the Biblical Recorder, our Baptist paper which keeps us informed as to the activities of the Denomination. Charity and Children, our Orphanage paper, should also be read. The Bible should be studied more. It is the Book of all books and upon it is based all good literature. Let us go away from here with a firm resolution to better



ourselves by reading good literature and also let us discourage the reading of bad or questionable material.

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. Hodges

Ellis Coffey.

Hodges, Brushy Mountain Association; Henry Crisp, Caldwell Association; M. H. Kendall, Mars Hill College, French Broad Association; Dr. L. L. Carpenter, Biblical Recorder, Raleigh Association and Dr. W. K. McGhee, Chaplain Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem.

28. The Clerk read the report for the Committee on Associational Progress. N. M. Greene discussed the report after a motion to adopt had been made and the report was adopted.

### REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL PROGRESS

	1944-45	1945-46	Gain or Loss	
Membership	6858	7186	Gain	328
Baptisms	255	228	Loss	27
Sunday Schools	4578	4688	Gain	101
W. M. U.	432	444	Gain	12
B. T. U.	489	601	Gain	112
Local Contributions	43,704.31	43,233.99	Loss	5,670.32
Missions & Benevolences	9,186.87	8,996.54	Loss	190.34
Total Contributions	57,891.18	52,230.52	Loss	5,660.66

This year 37 of our churches gave \$3,366.97 to the N. C Baptist Orphanage—a loss over last year of \$219.15. This year 29 churches gave \$887.88 to the Baptist Hospital—Loss of \$8.31 over last year.

29. The Moderator recognized Dr. W. K. McGhee, Chaplain of the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem, who discussed the work at the Hospital.

30. Levi Greene also discussed some phases of the work at the Hospital and raised some question regarding the manner in which the present management is conducting the hospital. Dr. McGhee explained why at times it is impossible to take a patient even in an emergency. Henry Crisp spoke of his experiences as a patient at the Hospital and paid high tribute to the treatment he received there.

31. An offering amounting to \$21.70 was taken for Henry Crisp which was given to him.

32. The election of officers being the next order of business, the Moderator called for nominations for Moderator. Ben

Lee Ray nominated Cecil Glenn and W. J. Farthing nominated H. K. Middleton. Bro. Ray withdrew his nomination of Cecil Glenn. W. J. Farthing moved that Ben Lee Ray cast the vote of the Association for H. K. Middleton for Moderator. This motion carried and the vote was so cast. The following other officers were elected: R. C. Eggers, Vice-Moderator; Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treasurer; W. J. Farthing, Historian and C. J. Farthing, Song Leader.

33. M. H. Kendall, Teacher of Bible at Mars Hills College, discussed Christian Education.

34. The Association adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by E. C. Hodges.

### NOON RECESS

35. The Association reconvened at 1:00 P. M. R. C. Eggers conducted the devotional service.

36. By motion made, seconded and duly carried it is directed that the following Associational Officers be elected by vote of the Association at the same time other officers are elected rather than on recommendation of the Nominating Committee as heretofore: Sunday School Director, B.T.U. Director, Orphanage Director and Hospital Director. In accordance with this motion the following were nominated and elected:

C. J. Farthing	-----	Sunday School Director
W. J. Farthing	-----	B. T. U. Director
Russell D. Hodges	-----	Orphanage Director
Wade E. Brown	-----	Hospital Director

37. Ben Lee Ray offered the report on Benevolences. After a motion to adopt had been made the report was discussed by W. C. Reed from Kennedy Home and W. J. Farthing and was adopted.

### REPORT ON BENEVOLENCES

"Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye did it unto me" are not idle words. This is the way we have of advancing Christ's program in our generation. Baptists have, in my humble opinion, the greatest organization under the sun for carrying out this program. What have we done about it? Our efforts have been entirely too weak. There has been some progress made but not enough to boast about. We can well hang our heads in



shame when we realize that we have not done over one-tenth of what we should have done in order to be honest. Let us dare to be stewards of Christ in the days ahead and claim his promise in Malachi, "I will open the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it." And you can't say "it ain't so."

"Ain't what you have  
 But how you give,  
 Ain't where you are  
 But how you live,  
 Ain't what you do  
 But how you do it  
 That makes this life  
 Worth going through."

Respectfully submitted,  
 Ben Lee Ray.

38. The Treasurer, Clyde R. Greene, read the following report which was adopted:

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**RECEIPTS**

Balance from Last Year .....	25.61	
Minute Fund .....	166.96	
Sherwood Family .....	5.00	
Woman's Missionary Union .....	11.25	208.82

**DISBURSEMENTS**

Minutes .....	123.90	
Clerk .....	40.00	
Postage .....	7.11	
Freight on Minutes .....	1.85	
Programs .....	3.50	176.36
Balance .....		\$32.46

39. The Clerk read the report of the Finance Committee which was adopted as read.

**REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Received for Minute Fund .....	\$173.83
Paid to Treasurer .....	173.83

Respectfully submitted,  
 Dallas Wilson  
 R. C. Eggers  
 J. K. Miller

40. By motion the Clerk is directed to prepare the manuscript for the minutes, have them printed and distributed to the churches and is allowed \$40.00 for this work.

41. H. K. Middleton presented the report from the Committee on Nominations. his report was adopted and is printed in the Associational Directory.

42. I. B. Wilson read the report on resolutions which was adopted as read.

### RESOLUTIONS

We, your committee on Resolutions, wish to present the following:

1. We extend our sincere thanks to the pastor and members of Rutherwood Baptist Church and to Rutherwood Community for the outstanding way in which they have entertained the One Hundred Sixth Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association.

2. We recognize the efficient work of our Moderator and Clerk and extend to them our sincere thanks.

3. During the past 12 years J. C. Canipe, our retiring Moderator, has rendered outstanding and unselfish service in our Association. We extend to him our sincere appreciation for his devotion to the work of the kingdom in our midst and assure him that our prayers and best wishes shall follow him to the larger field of service to which he has been called.

Respectfully submitted,

I. B. Wilson

G. A. Hamby

43. W. J. Farthing brought the report on Time, Place and Preacher which was adopted.

### REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

TIME—Tuesday and Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in August 1947.

PLACE—Willowdale Baptist Church, Vilas, N. C.

PREACHER—W. D. Ashley

ALTERNATE—Ronda Earp

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. Farthing

W. C. Carroll

W. S. Harmon.

44. By motion duly passed the Executive Committee is authorized to employ an Educational Director.

45. J. C. Canipe, the retiring Moderator, presented the

gavel to H. K. Middleton, the incoming Moderator.

46. The Clerk read the minutes of the Session and they were adopted.

47. J. C. Canipe brought the closing message. The One Hundred Sixth Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association adjourned, benediction by J. C. Canipe.

J. C. Canipe, Moderator  
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk.

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# OBITUARIES

DEDICATED TO OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE DIED SINCE  
OUR LAST SESSION

- ANTIOCH—Mr. J. L. Glenn  
 BEAVER DAM—Mrs. W. J. Hagaman  
 BEECH VALLEY—Mr. Albert R. Harmon-X  
 BETHANY—Mrs. Susan Harmon  
 BETHEL—Mrs. Rosa Creed Foster  
 BOONE—Mr. A. E. Hamby, Sr., Mr. Morris Eggers-X  
 BRUSHY FORK—Mr. L. M. Trivett  
 CLARK'S CREEK—Mrs. J. E. Pearson  
 COVE CREEK—Mr. J. C. Mast  
 FOREST GROVE—Mrs. Lucinda Eggers  
 LAUREL SPRINGS—Mrs. Lee Greer, Mr. Granville Norris  
 MEAT CAMP—Mr. J. R. Bryan  
 MIDDLE FORK—Deacon T. F. Greer, Mr. W. T. Vandyke  
 MOUNT CALVARY—Mr. Walter Tate, Mr. Ernest Shoemaker-X,  
 Mr. Carson Guy, Mrs. F. P. Chapell  
 MOUNT GILEAD—Mrs. T. M. Warren  
 MOUNT LEBANON—Deacon Ed. Walls  
 POPLAR GROVE—Mrs. Alice Cook, Mrs. Jennie Maltba  
 RUTHERWOOD—Mr. S. C. Carroll  
 SOUTH FORK—Mr. Wyley Adams  
 STONY FORK—Mr. Winfred Greene, Miss Velma Wagoner  
 THREE FORKS—Mrs. Laura Cottrell  
 TIMBERED RIDGE—Mr. Press Dishman, Mr. Willard Dishman, Mr.  
 Marshal Ward  
 UNION—Mrs. F. M. Greer, Miss Jennie Warren  
 WILLOW VALLEY—Mr. B. F. Harmon  
 ZIONVILLE—Mr. Harve Wilson, Mrs. Mary Brown, Mr. Solomon  
 Grogan, Mr. Dave Greene  
 X-Killed or Missing in Action.
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## MINUTES OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Baptist Association met in its Thirty-Third Annual Session with Meat Camp Baptist Church June 13, 1946.

The Theme of the day's program was, "Christ for the World."

In the absence of both the Superintendent and the Associate Superintendent, Mrs. J. C. Canipe presided.

After repeating the watchwords in unison, Mrs. H. K. Middleton, Mrs. Nora M. Wilson and Mrs. Margaret Grigg led in a season of prayer.

Mrs. Kent Brown responded to the greetings so graciously given by Mrs. Ennis Byers.

Mrs. Ethel Hodges gave the report on Stewardship and Mrs. Don C. Perry the report on the treasurer which follows:

Balance in Treasury June 19, 1945 .....	.52
Received at Annual Meeting 1945 .....	13.42
Received after Annual Meeting .....	2.50
	\$16.44
Total .....	
Paid to Mrs. John Barden (Missionary) .....	5.00
Paid to Mrs. Andrew Morgan (Expenses) .....	2.41
Paid for Printing of Minutes .....	11.25
	\$18.39
Total .....	
Deficit June 13, 1946 .....	1.95

At the roll call the W. M. S. Presidents gave the reports from the societies and members present were recognized. The following reported with the number of their members present: Boone 11; Beech Valley 3; Blowing Rock 3; Cove Creek 9; Meat Camp 14; Oak Grove 5; Poplar Grove 6; Stony Fork 5; and Zion Hill 7.

Mrs. J. C. Canipe gave the Superintendent's report and the Mission Study report.

The following pastors and visitors were recognized: Ben Lee Ray, J. C. Canipe, Lawrence Hagaman, A. E. Moretz, Miss Attie Bostick, Missionary to China and Miss Virginia Dare Teague, State Representative.



On motion of J. C. Canipe the Secretary was requested to write a card of appreciation to Mrs. J. L. Qualls who was unable to be present because of sickness, for the work she has done as Assistant Superintendent since the departure of Mrs. Andrew Morgan, Superintendent.

An offering was taken amounting to \$15.56.

Special music, "Love," was given by the Poplar Grove Trio.

The message of the morning was brought by Miss Attie Bostick, who stressed the need of more missionaries all around the world and urged our young people to go as missionaries.

J. C. Canipe spoke of the appeal made to Southern Baptists at the Convention in Miami, Fla., for \$3,500,000 for Relief and Rehabilitation and urged everyone present to go home and see that a worthy offering was taken in their church for this cause.

Mrs. Canipe appointed the following committees to report during the afternoon session:

**NOMINATIONS**—Mrs. A. E. Moretz, Mrs. W. F. Miller, Mrs. George Harmon, Miss Maude Perry, Mrs. Ethel Hodges and Mrs. Henry Hagaman.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**—Mrs. Roy Rufty, Mrs. Bessie Austin.

**RESOLUTIONS**—Mrs. Wilson Norris, Mrs. S. C. Eggers and Mrs. B. F. Hodges.

**OBITUARIES**—Mrs. H. K. Middleton and Mrs. D. L. Wilcox.

**TIME AND PLACE**—Mrs. D. P. Coffey, Miss Thelma Perry and Mrs. N. C. Wellborn.

After J. C. Canipe led in prayer, the song "The Kingdom Is Coming" was sung and Ben Lee Ray asked the blessing on the lunch about to be served and pronounced the benediction.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session, in charge of Mrs. Nora Wilson and the young people from all organizations, had as its theme, "Christ, the Light of the World."

The meeting was opened with quiet music by the pianist, Mrs. James B. Mast, followed by singing, "Send the Light."

Miss Marjorie Mast was reader for the program.

The Devotional was given by Cove Creek R. A.'s after which Mrs. Margaret Grigg sang a special song, "Let Him In."

An acrostic W-O-R-L-D was given by Cove Creek Jr. G. A.'s and Sunbeams; a Bible talk by Miss Helen Wilcox, Boone, Y. W. A.; a poem by Miss Martha Qualls, Boone Int. G. A.; and a prayer hymn by Boone Jr. G. A.

"How We Did It," an explanation of the Church School of Missions at Cove Creek was given by Mary Sue Walsh.

A Stewardship playlet was given by the R. A.'s and G. A.'s from Oak Grove and Community Missions was explained by the speaking and singing voices of Oak Grove Y. W. A.

Mrs. Wilson in her talk, "Together We Work in Our Association" mentioned that there are 160 of our young people enrolled in the Young People's Organizations and one-fourth of these were present and took part on the program, also that forty-one of them are tithers. G. A. and R. A. camps for the summer were announced.

All girls who had attained any of the Forward Steps and all the boys who had reached any of the Ranks were recognized.

Special music, "Saved, Saved" was given by the Poplar Grove Trio.

Miss Bostick sang one verse of "Precious Name" in Chinese and the congregation joined in on the chorus.

Miss Virginia Dare Teague spoke on "The Urgency of Making Him Known," stressing the aims of W. M. U. for the coming year.

The following report on Recommendations was adopted as read.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

First, the Watchword, "Look unto Me and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth; for I am God and there is none else," Isaiah 45:22. Mrs. George Martin, W. M. U. President, says, "What a message these words contain! There is comfort for the sorrowing, rest for the weary, hope for the hopeless, a home for the homeless, a friend for the friendless, a Father for the fatherless, a Savior for the sinner. All of this we shall find for ourselves and others as we explore the limitless possibilities of our Watchword for 1946."

Second, Hymn, "We've a Story To Tell To the Nations." Miss

Beulah Huber says, "We have the message of Light to Tell, to Sing, to Give, to Show that all the world's great people might come to the truth of God."

Third, Year Book; That we adopt the W. M. U. Year Book as our guide for Plans, Methods and Standards.

Fourth, Goals; To enlist our women and young people in:

1. Prayer, individual and united for the unsaved; Encourage the establishment of family altars.

2. Mission Study. "That today we place more emphasis on world missions and endeavor to create a deeper interest in the study of missions."

3. Tithes and Offerings. That the tithe be a minimum of contributing and that our number of tithers be doubled.

4. Enlarged Membership. That we strive to increase our membership in our societies and that we organize new societies.

5. Community Missions. That we present our Savior through personal service to others about us in need and we in no way be satisfied with our service unless we see souls being saved.

Fifth, Standards of Excellence. That we strive in every society to reach the Standard of Excellence.

Sixth, Moral Standards. That we declare our responsibilities as Christian citizens to stand for high moral standards such as, family altars, Christian observance of Sunday, law observance, prohibition, interracial justice and world peace.

By living up to these moral standards we are demonstrating the teachings of Jesus and so are paving the way for the message to reach the hearts of lost people.

Respectfully submitted

Mrs. Roy Ruffy

Mrs. Bessie Austin.

The report on Obituaries was adopted as read.

### IN MEMORIAM

Within the last year it has pleased God to call one member of Poplar Grove W. M. S. to be with Him:

Mrs. Annie Pitts

We feel that the society to which she belonged has sustained a great loss, but their loss is her eternal gain. We bow in humble submission to Him, knowing that He death all things well Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved family.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. H. K. Middleton

Mrs. D. L. Wilcox

The report on Time and Place was given by Mrs. D. P. Coffey and the report was adopted.

PLACE—Blowing Rock

Time—To be decided later.

The report on nominations was adopted as read which follows:

Superintendent .....	Mrs. J. C. Canipe, Boone
Assistant Superintendent .....	Mrs. J. L. Qualls, Boone
Secretary-Treasurer .....	Mrs. Don C. Perry, Sherwood
Young Peoples' Leader .....	Mrs. Nora Wilson, Zionville
Community Mission Chmn. ....	Mrs. R. H. Eggers, Boone
Literature & Library Chmn. ....	Mrs. W. C. Greer, Boone
Stewardship Chairman .....	Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone
Mission Study Chairman .....	Mrs. H. K. Middleton, Sherwood
Margaret Fund Chairman .....	Mrs. S. F. Horton, Sugar Grove

The report of Resolutions was read and adopted.

### RESOLUTIONS

We, the members of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Baptist Association who have met here today, express our appreciation for the inspiration and fellowship we have enjoyed together. Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we extend to our sisters of the Meat Camp Church our sincere thanks and appreciation for their loving hospitality. May our prayers and efforts continue to be united in this work.
2. That we acknowledge the untiring efforts and accomplishments of our officers and pledge our prayers and continued support to the cause of the master.
3. That we extend our gratitude to our sisters and others for their uplifting and enlightening messages of the day.
4. Let us now prepare to build that we may be "Laborers Together with God" using our Watchword, "Look Unto Me and Be Ye Saved All the Ends of the Earth, for I am God and There Is None Else." Let us pray for divine guidance and broader vision in our future work.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Mrs. Wilson Norris  
 Mrs. S. C. Eggers  
 Mrs. B. F. Hodges

Rev. A. E. Moretz closed the day's program with prayer.

Mrs. J. C. Canipe, Acting Superintendent.  
 Mrs. Don C. Perry, Secretary.



### SPRING SESSION

The Spring Session of the Three Forks Association was held with Poplar Grove Baptist Church on Friday, May 10, 1946. Messengers and pastors from twenty-two churches were in attendance. At the noon recess a bountiful dinner was served by the ladies of Poplar Grove and the Session expressed appreciation for the splendid manner in which the Spring Session was entertained.



STATISTICAL  
TABLES

TABLE I. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Year Organized	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Days of Meeting	Baptisms	Gained by Letter	Other Additions	Lost by Letter	Lost by Death	Other Losses	Tot. Pres. Members	Weekly Prayer Meets?	No. Revival Meetings	Value Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Total Debt Church Property
Antioch	OC	Raymond Hendrix, Boone	1	5			5			210		1		2500	
Beaver Dam	OC	R. C. Cook, Lenoir	3				4	1	2	203		1		3800	
Beech Valley	V	James G. Allen, Rominger	2 4							59		1		6000	
Bethany	OC	Raymond Hendrix, Boone	4	10			3	1		146 *		1		1000	
Bethel	OC	R. H. Shore, Blowing Rock	2 4				6	1	1	256		1		5000	
Blowing Rock	T	Ben Lee Ray, Blowing Rock	Full	1	2	1	1			200		1	6500	235000	1400
Boone	T	J. C. Canipe, Boone	Full	20	41		21	2	2	800 *		1	7500	82500	
Brookside	OC	H. E. Nash, Boone	2							30				2600	
Brushy Fork	OC	W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock	1	10		1				138		1		4000	
Clark's Creek	OC	James G. Allen, Rominger	1				3	1		56				3000	
Cool Springs	OC	W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock	3	6			2			126 *		1		4300	
Cove Creek	OC	H. K. Middleton, Sherwood	Full	19	5		5	1	1	248 *		1	6000	16000	
Elk Knob	V	Noah Johnson, Todd	1	2						90		1		500	
Forest Grove	OC	Lawrence Hagaman, Beech Creek	1 3	2	1	1	2	1		179		1		1400	
Gap Creek	OC	A. W. Eller, Furlear	4	7	3	2	9			117		1		1500	
Green Valley	OC	N. M. Greene, Boone	3							30					
Howards Creek	OC	Levi Greene, Furlear	4	1						158		1		1000	
Laurel Springs	OC	R. C. Eggers, Zionville	2 4				8	2		272				6000	
Meat Camp	OC	R. C. Eggers, Zionville	3	5			1	1	1	198		1		5000	
Middle Fork	OC	R. H. Shore, Blowing Rock	2	7	1		1	2		148 *		1		2000	
Mountain Dale	OC	Ronda Earp, Vilas	2 4	9					7	65 *		1		3000	
Mount Calvary	V	H. K. Middleton, Sherwood	2 4	6			37	4		198		1	3000	10000	
Mount Gilead	OC	Lawrence Hagaman, Beech Creek	2 4	3	1		3	1		110				2000	
Mount Lebanon	OC	R. C. Cook, Lenoir	2	4						230		1		3500	
Oak Grove	V	W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock	2 4	2	1		4			249 *		1		7200	
Pleasant Grove	OC	Ronda Earp, Vilas	1 3	2			6			418 *		1		3000	
Poplar Grove	OC	R. C. Eggers, Zionville	1				8	2	2	189				5000	
Proffit Grove	OC	Noah Johnson, Todd	3	2						147		1		2000	
Rich Mountain	OC	W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock	2	7	1		1			85		1		2000	

Rutherford	OC	1938	W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock.	3	12	.....	.....	1	1	138	*	1	.....	2500		
Shulls Mills	OC	1888	Ira Hodges, Banner Elk.	2	4	.....	6	1	1	107	.....	1	.....	500		
South Fork	OC	1933	Raymond Hendrix, Boone.	2	4	.....	1	1	1	137	*	1	.....	3000		
Stony Fork	OC	1840	Grady Hamby, Boone.	2	8	3	6	2	2	197	*	2	.....	5000		
Tabernacle	OC	1941	A. E. Moretz, Boone.	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	*	1	.....	3000		
Three Forks	OC	1790	Raymond Hendrix, Boone.	3	3	3	1	1	1	128	*	2	.....	1500		
Timbered Ridge	OC	1906	Lawrence Hagaman, Beech Creek.	1	16	.....	2	34	3	152	.....	.....	.....	2800		
Union	OC	1885	Thomas Stanbery, Butler, Tenn.	1	22	.....	.....	2	2	306	*	1	.....	6000		
White Rock	OC	1945	Grady Hamby, Boone.	4	8	11	1	1	1	35	*	1	.....	4000		
Willowdale	OC	1911	Ben Lee Ray, Blowing Rock.	Full	3	1	5	.....	.....	142	*	1	.....	3000		
Willow Valley	OC	1935	H. K. Middleton, Sherwood.	3	.....	.....	.....	1	2	138	*	1	.....	1000		
Zion Hill	OC	1886	Lawrence Hagaman, Beech Creek.	2	22	.....	.....	2	.....	172	.....	1	.....	4000		
Zionville	V	1836	R. C. Cook, Lenoir.	.....	.....	1	.....	4	.....	155	*	1	.....	5000		
TOTALS	.....	.....	.....	.....	223	110	9	188	39	23	7186	18	36	23000	250900	1400











TABLE VI. GIFTS FOR LOCAL WORK OF CHURCH

CHURCHES	Associational Treasurer Clyde R. Greene, Boone	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES										Total Given For Local Church Work
		Paid for Year	Incidentals—Janitor, Fuel, Water, Repairs, Insurance, etc.	Assistant Pastor, Educational Director, Choir Leader, etc.	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Paid on Church Debt	Literature— Quar- terlies, Church Paper, Songs Books, etc.	Help for Local Poor	Minutes and Clerk of Association	Building Fund Last Yr.)	Other Objects	
Antioch	G. A. Edmisten, Sugar Grove.	201.50	25.00	77.80	33.00	100.00	493.52	15.00	20.00	125.68	465.68	
Beaver Dam	Lee Swift, Trade, Tenn.	367.16	30.00	78.30	75.60	207.00	72.30	20.00	5.00	251.18	1199.47	
Beech Valley	Geo. M. Harmon, Beech Creek	122.76	67.52	37.20	66.26	91.38	28.00	2.00	4.02	12.14	651.30	
Bethany	Victor Farthing, Rominger	183.70	5.00	52.20	28.80	30.23	96.94	154.27	3.00	12.14	400.26	
Bethel	Edmund Farthing, Sugar Grove.	380.00	289.71	134.20	96.94	154.27	47.49	2.00	8.00	293.41	308.83	
Blowing Rock	D. P. Coffey, Blowing Rock.	1300.00	917.82	30.00	974.75	100.00	10.00	2.00	2.00	293.41	1435.42	
Boone	Russell D. Hodges, Boone.	2939.50	1734.85	300.00	493.52	15.00	10.00	20.00	20.00	452.77	3322.90	
Brookside	Eunice Greer, Yadkin Valley	30.00			10.00						6350.64	
Brushy Fork	Albert Bingham, Boone.	429.49	132.00	93.50	72.30	207.00	28.00	2.00	5.00	251.18	1199.47	
Clark's Creek	Mrs. Clifford Welch, Banner Elk.	96.00	18.00	20.75	28.00	20.00	28.00	2.00	2.00	35.45	200.20	
Cool Springs	Milton Payne, Boone.	184.53	853.04	41.50	25.53						1104.60	
Cove Creek	S. F. Horton, Sugar Grove.	1800.00	458.63	62.00	218.07	87.04			10.00	473.00	3120.74	
Elk Knob	Sam S. South, Tamarack.	91.00		25.00	15.00				1.00		132.00	
Forest Grove	Mrs. Bulah Hagaman, Vilas	227.34	17.00	60.00	50.75	4.00	40.00	4.00	4.00	236.45	627.80	
Gap Creek	Clyde Moretz, Deep Gap.	266.00	50.00	37.00	40.00				4.00	25.00	422.00	
Green Valley	E. C. Greene, Reese.									507.42	507.42	
Howards Creek	Mrs. Homer Lane, Boone.	209.80	55.12	36.68	34.39				4.50		407.47	
Laurel Springs	Joe L. Coffey, Laxon.	656.24	109.00	85.00	46.33	22.00			6.00		924.57	
Meat Camp	W. H. Greene, Boone.	303.28	156.68	10.00	40.00				6.00		525.96	
Middle Fork	L. P. Hodges, Blowing Rock.	135.60	112.00	45.85	30.99				6.00		318.84	
Mountain Dale	Collas Greene, Reese.	346.41	48.25	48.88	58.52	12.77			4.00	64.40	518.83	
Mount Calvary	J. M. Shoemaker, Balm.	338.90	175.46	63.49	67.29				4.00		518.83	
Mount Gilead	Dallas Bunton, Heaton.	229.08	32.00	15.32	13.31	10.00			2.50	90.40	776.91	
Mount Lebanon	Mrs. Carrie Hayes, Vilas.	206.12	357.00	27.65	35.00	14.50			2.50	10.00	312.21	
Oak Grove	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams.	819.59	389.31	15.00	120.17	70.00			5.00	650.00	1517.21	
Pleasant Grove	Mr. Everette Culler, Zionville.	605.99	94.46	58.20	89.03	300.00			5.00	905.00	2091.68	
Poplar Grove	T. M. Shore, Boone.	328.14	45.00		64.29	12.40			4.00	288.20	807.39	
Profit Grove	Frank Winebarger, Boone.	188.87	46.86	66.97	30.73				2.75	5.50	367.01	
Rich Mountain	L. E. Beach, Zionville.	287.86		49.37	15.00	17.75			2.00	30.00	335.92	

Rutherford	Green R. Carroll, Boone	331.18	65.80	67.00	37.92	91.93	5.00	475.00	39.73	1113.56		
Shulls Mills	Miss Vera Brewer, Shulls Mills	122.06	16.00	.....	21.79	50.00	.....	.....	.....	209.85		
South Fork	W. G. Cook, Todd	456.86	62.59	174.18	25.63	29.00	3.00	22.30	.....	773.56		
Stony Fork	Howard Taylor, Deep Gap	528.84	277.67	438.45	55.61	.....	10.00	.....	197.05	1521.62		
Tabernacle	Fred N. Brown, Boone	133.10	5.50	26.12	26.72	101.26	3.00	.....	12.50	302.70		
Three Forks	James Austin, Boone	253.80	103.50	160.00	95.72	.....	3.60	2494.50	17.65	3128.77		
Timbered Ridge	E. B. Hagaman, Beech Creek	436.00	.....	76.00	31.40	.....	.....	310.35	.....	853.65		
Union	M. L. Warren, Sr. Mabel	460.00	121.83	150.00	65.43	50.00	8.00	64.22	64.22	919.48		
White Rock	Mrs. Ruth Shook, Banner Elk	162.06	.....	58.56	51.03	.....	4.00	1281.30	.....	1556.95		
Willowdale	Fred Blair, Vilas	430.00	382.00	50.00	60.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	925.00		
Willow Valley	Vonnie Greene, Sugar Grove	228.00	53.49	.....	51.97	97.29	2.00	.....	10.02	442.77		
Zion Hill	C. S. Trivett, Beech Creek	261.00	59.53	87.00	32.31	100.72	1.00	373.73	10.00	925.29		
Zionville	Pauline Eggers, Zionville	300.00	55.57	219.00	45.05	.....	.....	.....	89.64	709.26		
TOTALS		17337.76	7417.69	394.82	3117.19	1074.75	2546.79	1564.51	150.07	7994.96	2409.17	43233.99

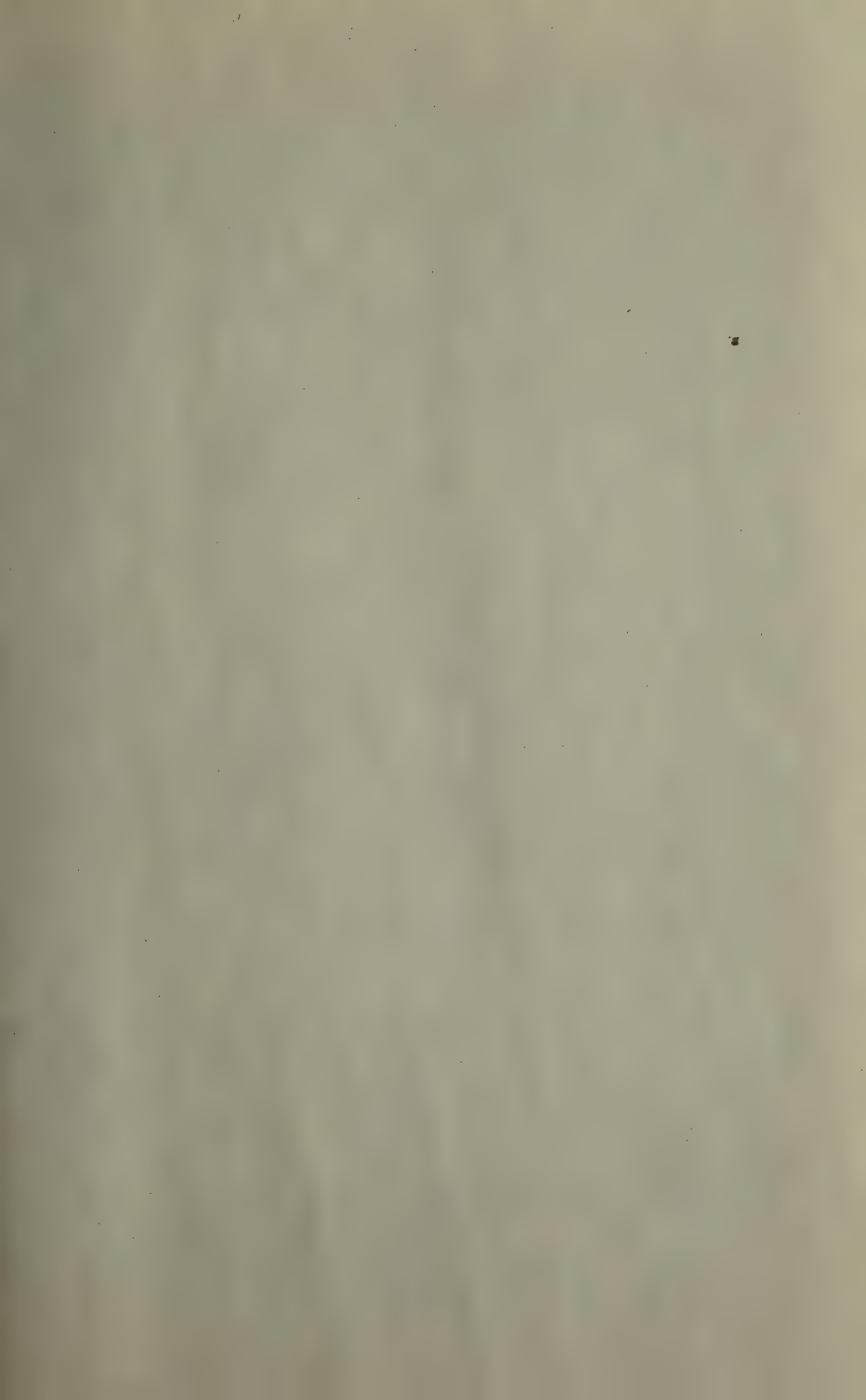
TABLE VII. GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, EDUCATION, ORPHANAGES, Etc.

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Gifts to Co-op. Pro- gram or United Bgt.	Designated to Asso. Missions	Designated to State Missions	Designated to Home Missions	Designated to Foreign Missions	Orphanages (Cash Est. Clothing, Etc.	Hospitals	To Red Cross and Foreign Relief	Relief and Annuity, Other Objects	Total for All Missions	Grand Total of All Contributions for All Purposes
Antioch	Dwight Cable, Sugar Grove.					13.08	30.00	14.50			44.50	510.18
Beaver Dam	C. B. Reese, Trade, Tenn.		15.20				112.25			9.10	149.60	800.90
Beech Valley	George M. Harmon, Beech Creek.	4.50		206.00			9.55	10.16	17.42		247.63	647.89
Bethany	M. P. Ward, Balm.			30.20			104.47	8.73	2.00		155.50	464.33
Bethel	John Greene, Sugar Grove.	144.51		19.43		77.38	174.77	35.44	81.47	21.06	602.17	2037.59
Blowing Rock	Mrs. Larney Holler, Blowing Rock.	80.00				5.50	22.00	10.00	18.80		136.30	3459.20
Boone	H. W. Wilcox, Boone.	750.00		20.00	30.00	316.42	550.00	280.00	100.00	265.00	2311.42	8662.06
Brookside	Eunice Greer, Yadkin Valley.											40.00
Brushy Fork	Minnie Darr Greene, Vilas.			7.00	16.00		15.00	20.00	20.00		78.00	1277.47
Clark's Creek	Harston Coffey, Banner Elk.						49.58				49.58	249.78
Cool Springs	Mrs. Virgie Rogers, Blowing Rock.						73.12				73.12	1177.72
Cove Creek	Mrs. Hattie Lewis, Sherwood.	268.00		28.53			210.00	37.52	212.78		756.83	3877.57
Elk Knob	W. C. South, Tamarack.						15.00	15.00			15.00	147.00
Forest Grove	Chas. Johnson, Vilas.	58.22					58.23	23.50	11.03		151.08	778.88
Gap Creek	Russell Wellborn, Deep Gap.			16.84	9.05	10.00	50.00	13.20	40.00	5.00	144.09	566.09
Green Valley	Clyde Greene, Reese.											507.42
Howards Creek	Mrs. Homer Lane, Boone.						48.24	8.52			56.76	497.23
Laurel Springs	Joe L. Coffey, Laxon.		16.15			26.50	105.10	33.58	10.00	25.00	216.33	1140.90
Meat Camp	M. C. Brown, Boone.	22.00					279.91		4.34		306.25	832.21
Middle Fork	L. P. Hodges, Blowing Rock.						90.90	40.75	28.00	5.00	184.65	598.49
Mountain Dale	C. T. Cornett, Reese.						47.27	7.68			54.95	573.78
Mount Calvary	Homer Shoemaker, Balm.	55.00					89.08	14.27			158.35	935.26
Mount Gilead	Dallas Buntun, Heaton.						23.13	16.35			39.48	351.69
Mount Lebanon	Luther Earp, Vilas.						28.69				28.69	658.96
Oak Grove	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams.	72.00		78.00	34.94		87.90	33.00	135.17		480.80	1998.01
Pleasant Grove	Mrs. Don. H. Perry, Zionville.	52.30					103.97	48.00			246.27	2295.95
Poplar Grove	T. C. Hodges, Boone.	32.41		1.40	6.35		145.42	17.70	24.75	16.32	204.35	1053.74
Profit Grove	Arlie Proffitt, Zionville.			8.66			11.00				19.66	386.67
Rich Mountain	L. E. Beach.						27.70	1.00			28.70	364.62



Rutherfordwood	Mrs. B. D. Clawson, Boone				63.37	52.45	17.25				136.07	1249.63
Shulls Mills	Fred Hatley, Shulls Mills					50.50	6.86				62.36	272.21
South Fork	Leslie Norris, Todd	115.00			5.00	42.00	16.00				178.00	951.56
Stony Fork	John Wellborn, Stony Fork	132.13				179.72	79.53			66.08	464.02	1985.64
Tabernacle	Fred N. Brown, Boone	80.06									80.06	332.76
Three Forks	Walter Edmisten, Boone	77.75			8.13	8.79					243.22	3371.99
Timbered Ridge	Wade L. Greene, Reese						25.31		8.22			
Union	J. M. Burkett, Mabel					40.00			134.00			853.65
White Rock	Mrs. Ruth Shook, Banner Elk				6.00	12.00					199.00	1118.48
Willowdale	L. A. Bumgarner, Vilas	189.70				24.00	12.00				58.00	1614.95
Willow Valley	George W. Harmon, Sugar Grove	50.00				92.00					218.70	1143.70
Zion Hill	Henry Hagaman, Valle Crucis	1.00				49.38	15.00				114.38	557.15
Zionville	W. R. Holman, Zionville					88.42	18.53				112.45	1037.74
TOTALS		2184.64	10.10	200.88	522.40	588.14					190.21	899.47
						3366.97	887.88	863.39	412.56	8996.53	52230.52	







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**THEME:** "Lengthen your Cords and Strengthen your Stakes."

**Tuesday, August 24, 1947**

- 9:00— 9:25— Devotional and Roll Call  
 9:25— 9:45— Address of Moderator  
 9:45—10:30— Temperance \*  
 10:30—11:15— Report of Executive Committee  
 11:15—11:25— Announcements and Miscellaneous  
 11:25—12:15— Annual Sermon

**Noon Recess**

- 100—1:15— Devotional  
 1:15—1:45— Woman's Work  
 1:45—3:15— Missions (Associational, State, Home and Foreign)  
 3:15—3:30— Closing Worship

**Wednesday, August 25, 1947**

- 9:00— 9:15— Opening Worship  
 9:15— 9:30— Obituaries  
 9:30—11:00— Christian Education (Sunday Schools, B. T. U. and Colleges)  
 11:00—11:45— Associational Progress  
 11:45—12:00— Election of Officers

**Noon Recess**

- 1:00—1:15— Devotional  
 1:15—2:30— Benevolences (Orphanage, Hospital and Old Ministers Relief)  
 2:30—3:30— Reports: Treasurer, Finance Committee, Nominations, Resolutions, and Time, Place and Preacher.  
 3:00—3:00— Miscellaneous and Reading of Minutes.  
 3:30—3:45— Closing Worship.



**ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY**

H. K. Middleton, Moderator	Sherwood
R. C. Eggers, Vice-Moderator	Zionville
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treasurer	Boone
W. J. Farthing, Historian	Valle Crucis
C. J. Farthing, Song Leader	Boone
Wade E. Brown, Hospital Director	Boone
Russell D. Hodges, Orphanage Director	Boone
W. J. Farthing, B. T. U. Director	Valle Crucis
C. J. Farthing, Sunday School Director	Boone
R. C. Eggers, Colporteur	Zionville
Mrs. Don Perry, Librarian	Sherwood

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

R. C. Eggers, Chairman	Zionville
Cecil Glenn	Sugar Grove
N. M. Greene	Boone
John Hagaman	Zionville
A. E. Moretz	Boone
H. K. Middleton	Sherwood
Clyde R. Greene	Boone
C. J. Farthing	Boone
W. J. Farthing	Valle Crucis
Mrs. H. K. Middleton	Sherwood

**NOMINATIONS**

Missions	L. M. Hodges and Ralph Beshears
Religious Literature	R. C. Eggers and W. C. Payne
Associational Progress	Wade Brown and Cling Hodges
Temperance	W. G. Bond and I. A. Bumgarner
Benevolences	A. E. Moretz and J. W. Bayers
Christian Education	W. J. Farthing, C. J. Farthing, and Henry Hagaman
Woman's Work	Mrs. Fred Hartly and Mrs. Ethel Hodges
Resolutions	Herman Wilcox and H. E. Greene
Obituaries	Mrs. A. A. Greene and Verne Greene of Stony Fork

**BAPTIST TRAINING UNION ORGANIZATION**

Director	W. J. Farthing, Valle Crucis
Associate Director	I. B. Wilson, Zionville

Secretary-Treasurer	Carrie Lee Farthing, Boone
Chorister	C. J. Farthing, Boone
Pianist	Bettie Jean Farthing, Boone
Pastor-Advisor	W. G. Bond, Boone
Adult Leader	Wilson Norris, Boone
Young Peoples' Leader	Cecil Glenn, Sugar Grove
Intermediate Leader	Mrs. Maxie Edmisten, Vilas
Junior Leader	Mrs. Odes Wilson, Zionville
Story Hour Leader	Mrs. Cecil Glenn, Sugar Grove
Group Directors	

Mrs. Kathleen Isaacs, Sugar Grove; Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone; Vance Culler, Adams; Grady Wilson, Boone.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

Missionary	Juanita Davis, Boone
Superintendent	C. J. Farthing, Boone
Associate Superintendent	W. J. Farthing, Valle Crucis
Associate Superintendent	C. O. Vance, Vilas
Associate Superintendent	Mrs. Dorothy Greene, Sugar Grove
Secretary-Treasurer	Clyde R. Greene, Boone
Pianist	Bettie Jean Farthing, Boone
Chorister	Wm. Hodges, Boone
Group Superintendents	

Paul Winkler, Boone; Grady Wilson, Boone; Edgar Edmisten, Sugar Grove; and I. B. Wilson, Zionville.

Cradle Roll Sup't.	Mrs. L.M. Hodges, Adams
Beginner Sup't.	Mrs. W. G. Bond, Boone
Primary Sup't.	Mrs. Maxie Edmisten, Vilas
Junior Sup't.	Mrs. Nora Wilson, Zionville
Young People's Sup't.	Marjorie Toole, Boone
Adult Sup't.	Ralph Beshears, Boone

### W. M. U. ORGANIZATION

Superintendent	Mrs. H. K. Middleton, Sherwood
Assistant Superintendent	Mrs. Kent Brown, Blowing Rock
Secretary-Treasurer	Mrs. Don Perry, Sherwood
Young People's Leader	Mrs. Nora Wilson, Zionville
R. A. Counselor	Ralph Beshears, Boone
Assistant R. A. Counselor	H. K. Middleton, Sherwood
Mission Study Chairman	Faye Sides, Boone

Community Mission Chairman, Mrs. S. F. Horton, Sugar Grove  
Margaret Fund and W. M. U.

Training School Chairman ---- Mrs. G. W. Bond, Boone  
Stewardship Chairman ----- Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone  
Literature and Library Chairman ---- Mrs. W. C. Greer, Boone

### ORDAINED MINISTERS

Name, Church	Post Office
Bynum Trivett, Antioch -----	Sugar Grove
James Allen, Bethany -----	Rominger
J. T. McGuire Bethany -----	Altapass
E. J. Farthing, Bethel -----	Sugar Grove
M. M. Turner, Bethel -----	Sugar Grove
Oscar J. Harris Blowing Rock -----	Blowing Rock
J. M. Hodges, Blowing Rock -----	Blowing Rock
W. G. Bond, Boone -----	Boone
H. E. Nash, Boone -----	Boone
Wiley Smith, Boone -----	Boone
D. M. Edmisten, Boone -----	Boone
Tipton Greene, Boone -----	Boone
Ronda Earp, Brushy Fork -----	Vilas
Grady Minton, Brushy Fork -----	Bluff City, Tenn.
Howard Shore, Cool Springs -----	Boone
W. C. Payne, Cool Springs -----	Blowing Rock
H. K. Middleton, Cove Creek -----	Sherwood
Noah Johnson, Elk Knob -----	Todd
Hiram Phillips, Elk Knob -----	Trout
Dave Greene, Forest Grove -----	Vilas
Fred Hagaman, Forest Grove -----	Vilas
J. L. Greene, Laurel Springs -----	Laxon
Purlear Green, Laurel Springs -----	Laxon
W. C. Greene, Laurel Springs -----	Laxon
A. E. Moretz, Meat Camp -----	Boone
Ira Hodges, Mount Calvary -----	Banner Elk
Roby Painter, Mount Calvary -----	Balm
T. T. Danner, Mount Lebanon -----	Valle Crucis
N. M. Greene, Perkinsville -----	Boone
John Hagaman, Pleasant Grove -----	Zionville
Clayton Greene, Poplar Grove -----	Shulls Mills

A. B. Church, Rutherwood .....	Boone
H. H. Smith, Stony Fork .....	Deep Gap
T. S. Bobbins, Stony Fork .....	Lenoir
R. E. Hendrix, Three Forks .....	Boone
Bearol Culler, Three Forks .....	Boone
Robert Honeycutt, Three Forks .....	Boone
Lawrence Hagaman, Zion Hill .....	Beech Creek
R. C. Eggers, Zionville .....	Zionville
D. C. Trivett, Zionville .....	Zionville

### LICENTIATES

A. T. Watson, Bethany .....	Rominger
Gold Hicks, Bethany .....	Rominger
John Ward, Timbered Ridge .....	Reese
Labert Tester, Timbered Ridge .....	Reese

### LIST OF MESSENGERS

#### ANTIOCH—

Lewis Glenn, G. A. Edmisten, Ross Matheson.

#### BEAVER DAM—

Clay Robinson, Lee Swift, Asa Reese.

#### BEECH VALLEY—

Sam Ward, Barney Hicks, Stacy Ward.

#### BETHANY —

A. T. Watson, Mrs. Lee Ward, Mrs. Victor Farthing.

#### BETHEL—

D. F. Greene, Carl Farthing, Howard Lawrence.

#### BLOWING ROCK—

J. H. Winkler, Mrs. J. M. Hodges.

#### BOONE—

Clyde R. Greene, Wade Brown, Mrs. Frank Miller.

#### BROOKSIDE—

No Messengers Listed.

#### BRUSHY FORK—

Roby Greene, Ralph Hayes, Lee Anderson.

#### CLARK'S CREEK—

W. C. Smith, Robert Greene, Mrs. Robert Greene.

#### COOL SPRINGS—

Q. B. Cannon, E. E. Carlton, L. C. Rogers.

## COVE CREEK—

Marjorie Mast, Mrs. Nora Wilson, Mrs. Robert Hayes.

## ELK KNOB—

W. C. South, Grady Potter, J. M. South.

## FOREST GROVE—

Dave Greene, W. E. Roark, D. H. Eggers.

## GAP CREEK—

H. E. Greene, R. D. Wellborn, L. H. Church.

## GREEN VALLEY—

Fonzo Tester, Edgar Farthing, Howard Harmon.

## HOWARDS CREEK—

Watson Tester, Henry Greene, J. E. Norris.

## LAUREL SPRINGS—

J. H. Greene, Howell Stanberry, Stanford Jones.

## MEAT CAMP—

M. C. Brown, J. W. Byers, Wade Clawson.

## MIDDLE FORK—

Perry Ashley, T. C. Hodges, Will Hayes.

## MOUNTAIN DALE—

Collas Greene, Roy Norris, Link Presnell.

## MOUNT CALVARY—

Ira Hodges, W. H. Shoemaker, Mrs. Homer Shoemaker.

## MOUNT GILEAD—

Ted Reece, George Lawrence, Grant Stanberry.

## MOUNT LEBANON—

John Earp, Lewis Moore, Ivey Moore.

## OAK GROVE—

W. J. Norris, John Ward, Ralph Beshears.

## PERKINSVILLE—

N. L. Barnes, Homer Lane, Woodrow Greene.

## PLEASANT GROVE—

Ben Culler, Don H. Perry, Larkin Pennell.

## POPLAR GROVE—

T. C. Hodges, Collins Austin, T. M. Shore.

## PROFFIT GROVE—

Jack Bryan, L. E. Wilson, Paul Greene.

## RICH MOUNTAIN—

Armon Culler, T. O. Eggers, L. E. Beach.



## RUTHERWOOD—

Fred C. Norris, Don Hayes, Bern Cook

## SHULLS MILLS—

Fred Hatley, Mrs. Vergie Hatley, Mrs. J. E. Teague.

## SOUTH FORK—

Page Norris, Eugene Seatz, George Miller.

## STONY FORK—

Stewart Hamby, Lawrence Greene, V. O. Greene.

## TABERNACLE—

Mrs. Etta Brown. Glenn Stanberry, K. W. Brown.

## THREE FORKS—

Ben Wood, A. J. Edmisten, E. E. Coffey.

## TIMBERED RIDGE—

A. E. Trivett, Albert Tester, Lee Ward.

## UNION—

Ruth Swift, R. H. Townsend, Helen Williams.

## WHITE ROCK—

L. D. Rupard, Mrs. L. D. Rupard, J. D. Shook.

## WILLOWDALE—

Doughton Greene, Tom Lawrence, Mrs. Maxie Edmisten.

## WILLOW VALLEY—

Custer Ward, Dillard Greene, Mrs. Oscar Ward.

## ZION HILL—

Gradon Hagaman, Eli Harmon, M. A. Ward.

## ZIONVILLE—

N. T. Byers, Fred Castle, W. A. Stephens.

# CONSTITUTION

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association who, on producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, the ministers being members ex-officio.

2. In the letters from the different churches is to be expressed their numbers in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed by letter, excommunicated and dead since last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any special power over the churches. They shall not infringe upon any internal right of any church in this Union.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and clerk who shall be chosen annually by the suffrage of the members present.

5. New churches or any regular church of Christ being legally dismissed by letter by any sister Association, upon application and delegates, shall be admitted to our Union.

6. Every church in the Association shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

7. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be once read and before it is debated the Moderator shall put it to a vote, and if there is a majority for it being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and be debated, but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of their proceedings. The best method of accomplishing this purpose shall be at the direction of the future Associations.

10. We think it is absolutely necessary that we should have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For the raising and supporting of which we think it to be the duty of each church in the Union to contribute annually such sums as they shall think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association. The money thus raised shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer, appointed by the Association, who shall be accountable for the same. He shall pay the money out from time to time as the Association may direct.

11. There shall be an Association book kept *wherein* the proceedings of the Association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for his services.

12. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needs be, and signed by the Moderator and the Clerk before the Association rises.

13. Amendments to the plans or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association when they deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months prior notice.

14. The Association shall have power:

To provide for the general union of the churches.

To endeavor to preserve a chain of union amongst the churches.

To give the churches the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

To appropriate the money contributed by the churches for an Associational fund to any purpose they may think proper.

To have power to withdraw from any church in their Union who shall violate the rules of this Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

To correspond with sister Associations.

To invite any Baptist in the ministry to a seat in the Association, who may be present at the time of their sitting.

To adjourn the Association to any future time and place they may think proper and most convenient to the churches of the Union.

## Rules of Decorum

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

3. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect upon the person who spoke before him as to make remarks on his steps, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state the matter as he can do so as to give his views or ideas.

4. No person shall abruptly break or absent himself himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

5. No person shall rise and speak more than three times to any one subject without liberty from the Association.

6. No member shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same or whispering in the time of public speaking.

7. No member shall address another in any other appellation than that of brother.

8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

9. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as required by the Association.

10. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any of the other members, provided the chair be filled. He shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH SESSION OF THE  
THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION  
OF NORTH CAROLINA  
HELD WITH WILLOWDALE BAPTIST CHURCH  
VILAS, N. C.  
FIRST DAY — TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 1947  
MORNING SESSION**

1. The One Hundred Seventh Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina convened with Willowdale Baptist Church, Vilas, N. C., on Tuesday, August 26, 1947 at 9:00 a. m.

2. The opening song service was conducted by C. J. Farthing. N. M. Greene had charge of the opening worship period. After making a plea that we make room for Jesus in our lives, he offered prayer.

3. The Moderator, H. K. Middleton, called the One Hundred Seventh Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association to order for the transaction of business.

4. The Clerk, Clyde R. Greene, called the roll of the churches and twenty-nine responded. All churches had sent in letters except Brookside and Mount Calvary. (Their letters came later).

5. The Chairman of the Executive Committee, R. C. Eggers, read the report of the Committee on Order of Business. This report was adopted upon motion of R. C. Eggers with the provision that the Moderator be given authority to make any changes in the program which he deems necessary.

6. The Moderator delivered his Annual Address in which he outlined a program for our people as follows.

- (a) We should seek to lay the foundation for the right kind of evangelism.
- (b) We should know and follow the teachings of the Bible.
- (c) We should seek to develop in and toward our young people Christian attitudes.
- (d) We should adopt a sound financial policy in all our churches.



7. Clyde R. Greene read the report of the committee on Temperance. This report was discussed by R. M. Hauss, representing the Allied Church League, Smith Hagaman, Clyde R. Greene, E. J. Farthing, Ben Wood, W. G. Bond and H. K. Middleton and was adopted.

### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Your Committee on Temperance hears all around that the use of intoxicating beverages is increasing. We also read in the papers that the same thing is true throughout our land. We believe that, among an intelligent citizenship, these things ought not to be. The population of Watauga County is about twenty thousand souls. Of this number, more than eight thousand are members of Baptist churches. Your committee would like to suggest that this group can and should make itself felt. It is very hard to see how such a situation as we hear about can continue if Baptists take a united stand against it.

It may be that your Committee on Temperance is guilty as charged, because people do say that we have done nothing except to be personally against alcoholic beverages and to say intemperate things about people who are not against them. It would appear that such behavior does not have much influence. Something is needed to show Christians everywhere that the principles of Christ's teachings apply to every act of our daily lives and that these same principles constitute the only really intelligent life program. We are brethren; sons of one Father.

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. Eggers, Chairman of Committee

8. The report on Religious Literature was presented by W. J. Farthing who moved its adoption and discussed the report. This report was further discussed by Bynum Trivett, Dr. Sankey Blanton, Mrs. Don Perry, and Miss Faye Sides, Educational Director of the Boone Church, and the report was adopted.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Among all the influences which affect the lives of our people none are greater than the printed page. The pen has ever exerted a great influence over the lives of the people.

Today the country is flooded with all kinds of literature, both good and bad. It is, therefore, highly necessary that the churches see that the right kind of religious literature is placed in the hands of their members. First of all, the Bible should be read and studied daily by all church members. Our Baptist publishing houses can furnish us with many valuable and interesting religious

books. The Biblical Recorder should be read by all our people along with Charity and Children, our orphanage paper. The Commission and Southern Home Missions are both good.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. Farthing, Chairman of Committee

9. The Moderator appointed the following committees:

FINANCE— I. B. Wilson and Ira Hodges.

NOMINATIONS— Tom Lawrence, Lawrence Hagaman, and Joe L. Coffey.

TIME, PLACE, and PREACHER— Wm. Hodges, I. A. Bumgarner and E. J. Farthing.

10. Visitors were recognized as follows: J. C. Brown, Avery Association; R. M. Hauss, Allied Church League; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Gragg, Stony Fork Association; Dr. Sankey Blanton, Wake Forest College; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Brown, Stony Fork Association; W. K. Rouse, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Gragg, Washington, D. C., Columbia Association.

11. Perkinsville, a recently organized Baptist Church applied for membership in our Association. The Moderator appointed a committee composed of C. J. Farthing, R. C. Eggers and I. A. Bumgarner to consider and report on this application.

12. W. D. Ashley, the appointee to bring the Annual Sermon, was recognized. "How Firm a Foundation" was sung and Lawrence Hagaman led in prayer. Bro. Ashley read from the 14th chapter of the Gospel by St. John and discussed the value of the Holy Spirit in the work of the Church.

An outline of his sermon follows:

1. The Holy Spirit or the Holy Ghost is one member or part of the Holy Trinity.

2. The Holy Spirit convicts men of their sins everywhere.

3. The Holy Spirit is in and fills the followers of Christ.

4. The light of the Christians shines through the Holy Spirit and through Him only.

5. The gospel under the direction and through the Holy Spirit reaches the hearts of men.

6. The Holy Spirit gives power to the Christian.

7. The Holy Spirit draws men to Jesus.

8. The troubled condition of Christians today is because we have grieved the Holy Spirit.

9. The light of the Holy Spirit reveals the defect in our lives.

10. The leadership of the Holy Spirit will solve all our problems, financial and otherwise.

13. The Association recessed for one hour for lunch. Benediction by W. D. Ashley.

### NOON RECESS

14. The Association reconvened at 1:00 p. m. After the song service, Dr. Wiley Smith led the devotional service. He read some verses from Paul's Letter to Philemon and discussed the worth of Paul's assistants to the spread of the gospel in the early days, and he led in prayer.

15. R. C. Eggers reported for the Committee on the request of Perkinsville Baptist Church for membership with us. The report was favorable and this church was unanimously received. The Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship to the pastor and messengers.

16. N. M. Greene presented the report for the Committee on Missions and moved that the report be adopted after which he led the discussion. The report was discussed also by W. G. Bond and was adopted.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS

Present day mission work around the world is founded upon many passages of scripture. Below I give you only three but they are sufficient to show us the great importance of the work.

Matthew 28:18-20:

"And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying 'All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world', Amen."

Mark 16:15-18:

"And Jesus said unto them, 'Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel, to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.'"

Luke 24: 46-48:

"And Jesus said unto them, 'Thus it is written, and thus it behooved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day; and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in

His name among all nations, begining at Jerusalem. And ye are witnesses of these things'."

Respectfully submitted,  
N. M. Greene

17. The report on Christian Education was read by J. H. Winkler who commented as the report was read. Dr. Sankey Blanton discussed the place of Baptist Colleges in our State and nation. Clyde R. Greene discussed some phases of Christian Education. Miss Juanita Davis, Associational Educational Director, was introduced by C. J. Farthing. She offered a report on her work and discussed it in detail. C. J. Farthing also discussed the report with reference to Vacational Bible Schools. J. W. Norris spoke, calling attention to the need in our churches for a more adequate program for our returned servicemen and women. The report was adopted.

### REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian Education represents all efforts of Christian Teaching, whether in the home, in the church, in public institutions or in schools and colleges owned and operated by denominations. It behooves all of us who are interested in Christian Education to direct our efforts along all these lines.

In this report we are thinking specifically of the program of Christian Education supported by Baptists through our three Southwide Seminaries and the W.M.U. Training School; and our six Baptist Colleges in North Carolina. In the four Southwide institutions during the past year we had a total of 2705 students, of whom 1744 were ministerial students.

The six Baptist Colleges in North Carolina are: Wake Forest, Meredith, Mars Hill, Campbell, Gardner-Webb and Wingate. We are this year contributing to these schools about \$351,959 divided as follows: Wake Forest \$108,882; Meredith \$78,540; Campbell \$43,175; Gardner-Webb \$37,812; Mars Hill \$59,048; and Wingate \$24,502. This is the most generous aid we have ever given our colleges for operating expenses. With a total enrollment of 4500 these six colleges will face the new year with all facilities taxed to their capacity.

Our Council on Christian Education is located in Raleigh and has 52 members—24 representing the administration of the colleges and 24 the churches at large with 4 ex-officio members. The Council provides a co-ordinating agency through which our program of Christian Education is promoted. In addition to distributing the funds, the Council has engaged in numerous activities to improve the services of our institutions and to give the



people of the state a better understanding of the over-all program. A folder of general information on all our colleges has been prepared and mailed to more than 23,000 high school graduates in the state. Through the cooperation of the Biblical Recorder and other Baptist publications information on the work of the colleges has been largely distributed throughout the state, and definite efforts have been made to emphasize the observance of Christian Education Day in our churches and Sunday Schools.

Everyone is aware of the dominant position which Wake Forest College now occupies in the thinking of North Carolina Baptists which has come about because of the challenging opportunities which came through the gift of the income from the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation. The way is now open for the Baptists of the State to fulfill their obligations by providing funds for the new plant at Winston-Salem.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. Winkler

### **REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR**

During the fall of 1946 our Sunday School Organization sponsored three central Bible Study Schools of one week duration—one at Bethel taught by Ben Lee Ray, one at Willowdale taught by J. C. Pipes and one at Laurel Springs taught by H. K. Middleton.

Since I have been in the Association it has been my privilege to be in 11 of the 26 Vacation Bible Schools that have been held this summer in the Three Forks. Miss Mabel Clay of Hickory and Miss Mary Ellen Bachelor of Rocky Mount have worked with me. Mr. W. J. Farthing has also assisted with this work. In the 26 schools we had an enrollment of 1016 with an average attendance of 795. I have helped with one Training Union Study Course at Union Church with 67 average attendance and Mission Class at Cove Creek with 19 girls enrolled.

Respectfully submitted,

Juanita Davis

### **REPORT OF TRAINING UNION DIRECTOR**

I wish to submit the following report for the Associational year from Sept. 1, 1946 to Aug. 31, 1947.

We have assisted in organizing three new unions this year at Pleasant Grove, Zionville and Union: I visited 12 churches during the year and assisted in Vacation Bible Schools in 8 churches.

The young people of our churches need training for future leadership in the various activities of the churches. The Training Union is the best agency for this work. We cannot have successful Training Unions in our churches without the support of the



adults and many of them do not manifest much interest in the Training Union.

Respectfully submitted,  
W. J. Farthing

18. W. J. Farthing presented the above Report on Baptist Training Union work and discussed the report after which it was adopted.

19. After a motion to adjourn had been adopted, R. C. Eggers conducted the closing worship, benediction by R. C. Eggers.

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 1947

#### MORNING SESSION

20. The Moderator called the session to order at 9:05 a. m. After a short song service conducted by C. J. Farthing, W. J. Farthing conducted the opening worship service.

21. I. B. Wilson read the report on Obituaries which revealed that 44 members have died since our last session. Smith Hagaman led a special prayer in memory of our departed members.

22. By motion duly passed it was directed that a short biography of Deacon John Ward be printed in the minutes of this session, the family of Bro. Ward having already paid the expenses.

23. The report on Woman's Work was read by Mrs. Don C. Perry, who discussed the report. After a motion to adopt the report had been made it was further discussed by Mrs. H. K. Middleton, C. J. Farthing, W. G. Bond, and H. K. Middleton and was adopted.

#### REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

Christ's command "Go ye, and make disciples of all nations" is our Watchword for this year. We are carrying out this commission to some extent in our different activities. In our meetings we study the problems and possibilities of the different countries, particularly those in which we have missionaries. ....

The different organizations have given programs at the local prison camp many times. Most of them serve meals at home in their communities where a death has occurred. Many of the societies have given linen and other articles both to our local hospital at Boone and our Baptist hospital at Winston-Salem.

We have 14 Missionary Societies and 11 Young People's Organizations in our association. We are encouraging more of these in our churches. Our contributions for Missions for the past year totals \$2,290.69.

Our Annual Associational W. M. U. Meeting was held with Blowing Rock Church on April 12, 1947. It was both informing and inspirational. June 9th, 1947 there was held an Associational Mission Study Course, with teachers from all over the state, at Cove Creek Church, with an enrollment of 100.

With God's help we plan to go forward, striving at all time to carry out the chief aims of the W. M. U.—Prayer, Study of the Missionary Message of the Bible, World Missions, Tithes and Offerings, Community Missions and Missionary Education of our Young People.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Don C. Perry  
Mrs. C. C. Edmisten

24. By motion duly made and passed the Moderator appointed the following committee to investigate the matter of securing some property to be used as a Summer Camp for our Association: Wade E. Brown, W. G. Bond, and Cecil Glenn.

25. By motion duly passed the Nominating Committee is directed to bring a nomination for Associational Librarian.

26. The Moderator recognized the following visitors: A. G. Buchanan, Mitchell Association; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Swift, Lower Rio Grande Association, Santa Rosa, Texas; Mrs. Eva J. Barrington, New Sunbury Association, Savannah, Ga.; M. K. Kendall, Mars Hill College, French Broad Association; W. K. McGhee, Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem; Rev. and Mrs. J. O. Walton and son, Robert, of Mills Home Church; and G. W. Bullard, Supt. of Associational Missions with Baptist State Board.

27. A collection for the new Church at Perkinsville was taken which amounted to \$64.00. This amount was given to N. M. Greene, pastor of Perkinsville Church.

28. The Clerk read the report of the Executive Committee which included six recommendations. H. K. Middleton discussed recommendation number one; N. M. Greene, number two; R. G. Eggers, number three; C. J. Farthing, number four; W. G. Bond, number five; and Cecil Glenn, number six. The report was adopted.

### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

During the past year your Executive Committee met three times at the call of our Chairman, R. C. Eggers, as matters of business required our attention. Our first meeting was held to prepare a program for this Session. We met next to prepare for the Spring Session which was held with Union Church. Then we met Aug. 3, 1947 to consider matters concerning this Session and also to make recommendations to the Association for your consideration. We recommend:

1. That all our churches contribute to the support of our Associational Educational Director and that this present session appoint a committee of three to work with the church in the connection.

2. That our churches extend an indefinite call to their pastors rather than the annual call as is in general practice now and that when a church is in the process of calling a pastor that only one man be considered at a time.

3. That our pastors preach more on the New Testament plan of church discipline.

4. That our churches use a more worshipful type of music.

5. That the quota of \$9000.00 assigned to the Three Forks Association for the building program of Wake Forest College be accepted and all our people are urged to support this work.

6. That after this present session the custom of providing dinner on the grounds by the host church be discontinued.

Respectfully submitted,  
Executive Committee

29. The Moderator appointed a committee consisting of W. J. Farthing, R. C. Eggers and Oscar J. Harris to work with the churches in raising money for the salary of the Associational Educational Director.

30. S. C. Eggers offered the report on Associational Progress and discussed it in detail. The report was adopted.

### REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL PROGRESS

	1945-46	1946-47	Gain or Loss
Membership	7186	7280	Gain 94
Baptisms	226	272	Gain 46
Sunday Schools	4688	5040	Gain 352
W. M. U.	444	413	Loss 31
B. T. U.	601	850	Gain 249
Local Contributions	43,233.99	66,122.85	Gain 22,889.86
Missions & Envolnces	8,996.54	13,497.83	Gain 4,502.29
Total Contributions	52,230.52	79,620.68	Gain 27,390.16

Fifteen years ago we had a membership of 4685 in 34 churches. That year we reported 186 baptisms, this year 272. Then we gave to all causes \$12,957.93, this year \$79,620.68. This report for this year compared with fifteen years ago shows that we have increased our membership by more than 50 per cent and our contributions by more than 530 per cent but our baptisms have increased only 46 per cent.

Respectfully submitted,  
S. C. Eggers  
R. E. Hendrix

31. The Moderator recognized G. W. Bullard who discussed the work of the Baptists of North Carolina in general and the work of the Associational Missionary in particular.

32. The election of officers being the next order of business, the Moderator called for nominations for moderator. W. G. Bond nominated H. K. Middleton. There being no more nominations, Smith Hagaman cast the vote of the Association for Bro. Middleton. Other officers, as follows, were elected: R. C. Eggers, Vice-Moderator; Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treasurer; W. J. Farthing, Historian; C. J. Farthing, Choir Leader; Wade E. Brown, Hospital Director Russell D. Hodges, Orphanage Director; W. J. Farthing, B. T. U. Director; C. J. Farthing, Sunday School Director; R. C. Eggers, Colporteur; and Mrs. Don C. Perry, Librarian.

33. The Association recessed for lunch; benediction by C. J. Farthing.

34. The Association reconvened at 1:00 p. m. W. G. Bond conducted the devotional service. A. W. Eller led in prayer.

35. New pastors in our Association were recognized: W. G. Bond, Boone; Oscar J. Harris, Blowing Rock; W. J. Cook, Proffit Grove; and A. W. Eller, Deep Gap.

36. Lawrence Hagaman read the report on Benevolences. After a motion to adopt the report had been made it was discussed by J. O. Walton, Pastor Mills Home Church and W. K. McGhee of Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem. The report was adopted.

### REPORT ON BENEVOLENCE

Benevolence is the will to do good or an expression of kindness. We have in our Baptist work two great benevolent institutions.



The orphanage with its hundreds of children that must be fed, clothed, educated and cared for. This is an institution that we are proud to call OURS. In this institution the spirit of benevolence is actually at work. This institution is supported by a special thanksgiving offering and a once a month offering in our Sunday Schools which should be greatly increased.

The Baptist Hospital is another institution where the spirit of kindness and self sacrifice is at work. It is rendering Christ like service to the sick, giving life and health to multitudes who would have died had they not received this help. The money given in Mother's Day offerings has made this possible. Let us remember the sick on Mother's Day and increase our gifts.

We also have our aged ministers who have spent their lives in the Lord's service. They should have our deepest sympathy.

Another phase of this work that is sadly neglected is our local poor and unfortunate. We should be ever ready to go to their aid at all times.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lawrence Hagamon  
J. W. Norris

37. M. A. Huggins, General Secretary of North Carolina Baptist Convention, was presented by the Moderator. He brought an inspiring address on the subject—"The New Earth." He challenged us to give the tithe of our incomes to the Lord's work.

38. The Treasurer offered the following report which was adopted without discussion.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

#### RECEIPTS—

Balance on Hand 1946 .....	\$ 32.46	
Minute Funds .....	173.83	206.29

#### DISBURSEMENTS—

1000 Minutes .....	152.00	
Clerk .....	40.00	
Postage .....	7.50	
500 Programs .....	4.50	204.00
Balance Cash on Hand .....		\$ 2.29

### Report on Special Fund for Educational Director

#### RECEIPTS—

Old Balance .....	\$ 3.60
From the Churches .....	286.00



From State Board .....	225.00	511.00
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<i>DISBURSEMENTS—</i>		
Salary Miss Davis .....	450.00	450.00
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Balance .....		\$ 64.60

**Report on Associational Sunday School Fund**

<i>RECEIPTS—</i>		
Oak Grove Church .....	32.00	
Bethel Church .....	14.10	46.10
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Balance Cash on Hand .....		\$ 46.10

39. I. B. Wilson gave the report of the Finance Committee, as follows, which was adopted.

**REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Received for Minute Fund .....	\$ 180.00	
Received from Ward Family .....	3.25	
Total Receipts .....		\$ 184.09
Paid to Treasurer .....		\$ 184.09

40. The Clerk read the report of the Nominating Committee. The report was adopted and will be found in the Associational Directory.

41. C. J. Farthing gave the Report on Resolutions which was adopted without discussion as read.

**REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS**

We, your Committee on Resolutions, submit the following:

Perhaps never in our history have we needed consecrated men and women as we do now. Our cause is suffering for the lack of this consecration. We are prone to quibble over little things and overlook the main issue, which is evangelism.

We recommend to the messengers of all our churches that we go back home with renewed determination to give more of our time, talents and money. The Bible says it is more blessed to give than to receive. God says to honor the Lord with thy substance. Let us resolve to pray without ceasing for the salvation of the lost and our work in general.

Last, but not least, let us resolve to take advantage of the law allowing us to vote on beer and wine in Watauga County and ask for an election as provided in the law and vote this evil out.

Resolved that this Association gives its thanks to Willowdale Church and community for the fine hospitality shown the Associa-

tion during our One Hundred Seventh Session and that the Association extend its thanks to the officers for their efficient services for the past year and during this session.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. Farthing

Mrs. S. C. Eggers

42. I. A. Bumgarner presented the report of the Committee on Time, Place and Preacher. This report was adopted.

### **REPORT ON TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER**

**TIME**— Tuesday and Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in August 1948.

**PLACE**— Laurel Springs Baptist Church, Laxon, N. C.

**PREACHER**— Oscar J. Harris; Alternate, R. H. Shore.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. Hodges

I. A. Bumgarner

C. J. Farthing

43. The Clerk was directed to prepare the manuscript for the minutes; have 1000 copies printed and distributed to the churches. He is allowed \$40.00 for this service.

44. The Executive Committee was directed to prepare a "Suggested Order of Business for the 1948 Session" and it is to be printed in the minutes of this Session.

45. The Clerk read the minutes of the Session which were adopted.

46. M. K. Kendall spoke briefly on Mars Hill College.

47. Oscar J. Harris, pastor of Blowing Rock Church, brought the closing message. The One Hundred Seventh Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina was adjourned; benediction by Oscar J. Harris.

H. K. Middleton, Moderator

Clyde R. Greene, Clerk.

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## OBITUARIES

*Dedicated to Our Members Who Have Answered the Call Since Our Last Session.*

**ANTIOCH—**

Deacon John Ward.

**BETHANY—**

Mr. Calloway Tester.

**BOONE—**

Mrs. Ruth Kennedy, Mr. D. E. Benfield, Deacon J. A. Williams, Mr. George Parish, Mr. Robert Pulliam, Mr. J. W. McGhee, Mr. Charlie Keller.

**BRUSHY FORK—**

Mr. S. F. Moody, Jr.

**COOL SPRINGS—**

Mr. W. L. Austin, Mr. Steward Winkler, Mr. Unie Woodie.

**COVE CREEK—**

Mrs. Lillie McBride Henson.

**ELK KNOB—**

Mrs. Emma Ellison.

**FOREST GROVE—**

Mrs. W. R. Johnson, Mrs. Mack Johnson, Mrs. B. C. Hagaman.

**HOWARDS CREEK—**

Mr. W. L. Brown, Mr. Amos Greene.

**LAUREL SPRINGS—**

Mr. Loy Greene, Mrs. Alex Wellborn.

**MEAT CAMP—**

Mrs. Nan Jones, Mrs. Melessa Brown, Mr. Turner Gross.

**MIDDLE FORK—**

Mrs. Lillian Hodges, Mr. Wiley Hollifield, Mr. Saunders Shore.

**MOUNT CALVARY—**

Mrs. Emma Horney.

**MOUNT LEBANON—**

Deacon Lonnie Greene, Mr. Carl Hodges.

**OAK GROVE—**

Deacon W. M. Hodges.

**PLEASANT GROVE—**

Mrs. Rhetta Cole.

**POPLAR GROVE—**

Miss Emma Oxentine.

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## OBITUARIES

### RUTHERWOOD—

Mr. Alfonso L. Baird.

### SHULLS MILLS—

Mrs. Millie Hollers.

### STONY FORK—

Mr. John D. Cook, Deacon R. L. Wagner, Mr. I. S. Greene,  
Mr. Clyde Hamby.

### UNION—

Mr. Fred A. Warren.

### ZION HILL—

Mr. C. S. Trivett, Mr. J. R. Trivett.

### ZIONVILLE—

Mrs. Bessie Lawrence.

John Ward was born November 19, 1863, at Sugar Grove, Watauga County, N. C. He was the eldest child of Lorenzo D. and Ann Elizabeth Dyer Ward. He received his education in the public schools of Watauga County, taking advantage of every possible educational opportunity. He taught in the public schools of the County for a number of years.

Early in life he united with Antioch Baptist Church, Watauga Falls, N. C., and remained a devoted member until his death on July 14, 1947. He was a devout and consecrated laborer in the Lord's work, serving his church as a deacon for thirty-five years, clerk of the church, Sunday School superintendent and teacher in the Bible class.

He was married to Mary Ellen Farthing June 26, 1887, and to this union five children were born, two sons and three daughters, all of whom survive him. He was a devoted father and always had the utmost respect and love for his family, and no needy friend was ever turned away.

He was very active as a business man and farmer and leader in civic affairs until he was stricken in health in the spring of 1938. He bore his affliction with great patience and cheerfulness, which was so often commented upon by those who knew him.

The friends of the community and church have lost a beloved friend and member, but we can take consolation in the fact that their loss is his gain. For, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord . . . that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

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**MINUTES OF THE  
WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION  
THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Baptist Association met in its Thirty-Fourth Annual Session with Blowing Rock Baptist Church on April 12, 1947.

Mrs. H. K. Middleton, Superintendent, read the Call to Worship, using Romans 10:13-15. Mrs. Kent Brown and Mrs. Jake Jones read the scriptures and Miss Audrey Hartley sang "Jesus" Calls Us," during silent meditation.

Mrs. D. P. Coffey gave a cordial welcome to everyone to which Mrs. A. E. Moretz responded; after which the congregation joined in singing the W. M. U. Hymn of the Year, "Hark, The Voice of Jesus Calling."

To the Roll Call the following societies responded with the number of members present: Blowing Rock, 8; Boone, 18; Cove Creek, 8; Meat Camp, 5; Oak Grove, 5; Poplar Grove, 6; Willowdale, 2.

The Superintendent recognized the following visitors: Miss Ruth Provence, State W. M. U. Executive Secretary; Miss Marjorie Spence, Missionary to Chile; A. E. Moretz and Ben Lee Ray.

The following committees were named: **NOMINATIONS**, Mrs. Frank Miller, Mrs. Gordon Winkler, Mrs. Stanford Berry and Mrs. Murriel Brown; **TIME AND PLACE**, Mrs. W. H. Hodges, Mrs. Collis Austin and Mrs. Wade Clawson; **OBITUARIES**, Mrs. Carter Farthing, Mrs. Connie Williams; **RESOLUTIONS**, Mrs. Verne Greene, Mrs. Ed Qualls and Mrs. Herman Wilcox; **RECOMMENDATIONS**, Mrs. Dave Mast and Mrs. Fred Edmisten.

In answer to His Call, Mrs. H. K. Middleton gave the Superintendent's and Mission Study report; Mrs. Ethel Hodges the Stewardship report; Mrs. S. F. Horton the Community Mission report; Mrs. W. C. Greer the Literature and Library report; and Mrs. Don C. Perry, the Treasurer's report.

An offering was taken which amounted to \$13.52 after which the congregation sang, "O Zion Haste."

This being the Ruby Anniversary of Y. W. A. and W. M. U.



Training School, Mrs. Mary Helen Cole spoke on "Forty Years of Following Y. W. A.", and Mrs. George Bond spoke on "Forty Years of Following W. M. U. Training School."

After prayer by Ben Lee Ray, Misses Audrey Hartley, Norman Banner, Martha Banner and Patsy Bolick very beautifully sang "Seek Ye the Lord."

The message of the morning, "Fields White," was forcefully and inspiringly brought by Miss Marjorie Spence.

Mrs. George Bond led in the closing prayer.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened by singing "Lead On O King Eternal." The scripture was all W. M. U. organizational Watchwords repeated in unison. Miss Marjorie Mast led in prayer.

The Call to Serve Youth was brought out by Bill Blackburn who spoke on "What Summer Camping Has Meant to Me"; Wesley Joines, "The Boy and Missions," and Mrs. Don C. Perry, "Fostering Our Opportunity."

Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Associational Young People's Leader, gave her report in "The Message of the Flowers," in which each flower told something of the work the young people are doing. She reported 11 organizations with 134 enrolled and 33 tithers. Twenty-two of these young people were present for the day's meeting: Meat Camp, 9; Cove Creek, 9; Boone, 4. A message, "Jesus Calls Us, was brought by the young people.

"To Follow Him, Joyce Gragg; Solo, Mary Jane Tait; "To Shine for Him," Mary Lee Moretz; "To Give", Olive Moretz; "To Live for Him," Katherine Greene; "To Be True," Joyce Perry; "Let Others See Jesus in You," Cove Creek G. A.

After singing "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations," the reports of the committees were read.

The Report on Resolutions was adopted as read by Mrs. Verne S. Greene.

### REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

We, the members of the W. M. U. of the Three Forks Baptist Association, who have met here today in this our Thirty-Fourth Annual Session, wish to express our appreciation for the many blessings we have received during the past year, therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we extend to the people of Blowing Rock Baptist Church our heartfelt thanks for their gracious hospitality.

2. We wish to acknowledge the most efficient services rendered by our officers the past year and we pledge our prayers and full support in Kingdom building.

3. We most heartily express our thanks for those taking parts on the program and special mention of the inspiring music rendered by the Blowing Rock quartette.

4. May we pray that the Holy Spirit will guide us in this work and that we may continue to grow and be "Laborers Together with God."

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Verne S. Greene  
Mrs. E. S. Qualls  
Mrs. H. W. Wilcox

The report on Time and Place was adopted as given by Mrs. Wade Clawson.

PLACE—Cove Creek Baptist Church.

TIME—To be decided later.

The report on Obituaries was adopted as given by Mrs. Carter Farthing.

### IN MEMORIAM

Within the last year it has been the will of God to call the following to be with Him:

Mrs. Alfred Brown, Meat Camp W. M. S.

Mrs. Ruth Kennedy, Boone W. M. S.

Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved families.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Carther Farthing  
Mrs. Connie Williams

The congregation stood in silent meditation while "Abide with Me" was played softly.

The Report on Recommendations was read by Mrs. Dave Mast and was adopted.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

Recognizing that the call and commission of Christ are directed to every individual Christian and claiming the promise of His presence and power, we suggest the following recommendations for 1947:

1. Prayer—Individual and united.

(a). That we search our own hearts daily and pray for guidance that God's will be done in our lives.

- (b). That we stress the importance of the family altar in every home.
  - (c). That we place new emphasis on the establishment of Intercessory Prayer Leagues.
  - (d). That we stress the observance of the three seasons of Prayer.
2. Plans and Methods.
- (a). That the Year Book published by Woman's Missionary Union, S. B. C. be the guide for plans and methods.
  - (b). That the plan for reporting adopted by the Executive Council in Nov. 1946 and printed in 1947 Guide Book for Divisional and Associational Officers be followed.
  - (c). That a W. M. S. Camp be held at Fruitland, July 14-20 with every effort toward a large and representative attendance.
3. Study.
- (a). That each society study a minimum of two Mission study texts during the year.
  - (b). That missionary reading be promoted in all W. M. U. organizations, using the suggested booklets and reading cards.
  - (c). That continued emphasis be placed on the value of W. M. U. Missionary publications: *Royal Service*, *The Window of Y. W. A.*, *World Comrade*, *Ambassador Life*; and that we strive to increase their circulation and use.
4. Stewardship.
- (a). That a stewardship book be used for a devotional or study in all circles. (*"To Whom Much Is Given,"* by Thomas, is suggested.)
  - (b). That Stewardship Night or a stewardship program be given in every church as a climax to the year's stewardship education.
  - (c). That the tithe be the minimum basis of contributing.
5. Community Missions.
- (a). That we endeavor to enlist every member in Community Mission activity, reporting each quarter the number of members participating.
6. Missionary Education of Young People.
- (a). That each Missionary Society give special attention to developing the work among the young people through the graded system of Missionary Education as outlined in the Year Book and other organization manuals.
  - (b). That an annual gathering for all young people be held in our Association.
  - (c). That we stress the importance of our boys and girls attending camps.

## 7. Christian Education.

(a). That we realize that the W.M.U. is entirely responsible for the founding and maintenance of the W. M. U. Training School at Louisville; and that the need for workers is urgent.

(b). That we give increasing loyalty to our Denominational Colleges, praying regularly for the faculty and students, encouraging our boys and girls to matriculate in these colleges.

## 8. Benevolent Institutions.

(a). That we urge the continued and generous support of both our Baptist Hospital and Orphanage.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Dave Mast

Mrs. Fred Edmisten

The Treasurer's report was adopted as read by Mrs. Don C. Perry.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Deficit in Treasury, June 13, 1946 .....	\$ 1.95	
Received at Annual Meeting .....		15.56
Received from Cove Creek W. M. S. ....		1.50
Received from Meat Camp W. M. S. ....		1.00
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Total Receipts .....		\$ 18.06
Paid Deficit .....		1.95
Paid Miss Attie Bostick .....		5.00
Paid Postage .....		1.00
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Total Paid Out .....		\$ 7.95
Balance in Treasury April 12, 1947 .....		\$ 10.11

Mrs. Frank Miller presided during the elections of officers and the Report of the Nominations Committee was adopted as follows:

**REPORT OF NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE**

Superintendent .....	Mrs. H. K. Middleton
Assistant Superintendent .....	Mrs. Kent Brown
Secretary-Treasurer .....	Mrs. Don C. Perry
Young People's Leader .....	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson
R. A. Counselor .....	Ralph Beshears
Assistant R. A. Counselor .....	H. K. Middleton
Mission Study Chairman .....	Miss Faye Sides

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Community Mission Study Chairman .....	Mrs. S. F. Horton
Margaret Fund and W. M. U. Training School Chairman .....	Mrs. George Bond
Stewardship Chairman .....	Mrs. Ethel Hodges
Literature and Library Chairman .....	Mrs. W. C. Greer

It was voted to create an Associational Expense Fund. Each member of every society was asked to give ten cents and send it to the Treasurer not later than June 30, 1947.

Miss Ruth Provene brought the day's program to a close with her message, "Take the Task He Gives You Gladly," in which she urged everyone present to ever be busy about the Master's work.

The Thirty-fourth Annual Session of the Three Forks W. M. U. was brought to a close with prayer by Miss Provence.

Miss Ruth Provence brought the day's program to a close

Mrs. H. K. Middleton, Superintendent  
Mrs. Don C. Perry, Secretary.



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**PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPRING SESSION OF THE  
THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

**Held With Union Baptist Church, Mabel, N. C., May 2, 1947**

1. The Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina met in Special Session with Union Baptist Church, Mabel, N. C., Friday, May 2, 1947, at 10:00 a. m.

2. J. M. Burkett led the opening song service and the Moderator, H. K. Middleton, called the Special Session to order.

3. After prayer by E. J. Farthing, W. D. Ashley conducted the devotional service. He used as his subject the scriptural statement, "Arise and Shine." He read Daniel 9:17.

4. R. C. Eggers, Chairman of the Executive Committee, presented the program for the Special Session, which was adopted without discussion.

5. The Moderator recognized the pastors present and introduced W. G. Bond, pastor of Boone Church, who has come to our Association recently; also the deacons, W. M. U. presidents and visitors.

6. The Clerk called the roll of churches and twenty responded.

7. The Moderator recognized C. J. Farthing, Associational Sunday School Director, who discussed plans for Sunday School work and Vacation Bible Schools for the summer. He recognized the Sunday School superintendents present and requested reports from the churches as to their plans for the summer. Verne Green spoke briefly on Vacation Bible Schools, reporting the experiences of Meat Camp Church in this work. Walter Carroll, of Rutherwood Church, also spoke. W. G. Bond suggested that all churches interested in Vacation Bible Schools this summer should contact Miss Juanita Davis, Associational Educational director, who is at this meeting.

8. H. K. Middleton called R. C. Eggers, Vice-Moderator, to the chair and brought a message bearing on the great importance of teaching and training the youth of our churches.

9. The Moderator introduced Miss Juanita Davis, our Associational Educational Director. She spoke of her work using as her subject the statement, "Behold, I Have Set Before You an Open Door." She read from the 45th chapter of Isaiah.

10. After singing "Amazing Grace," the Special Session recessed for noon; benediction by R. C. Eggers.

### NOON RECESS

11. The Special Session reconvened at 1:00 p. m. J. M. Burkett conducted the song service. N. M. Greene conducted the devotional service, using as his subject the one word, "Hope."

12. Ben Lee Ray discussed the Baptist Training Union work in our Association.

13. Mrs. Nora M. Wilson announced an Association-wide Study Course for June 9, 1947, at Cove Creek Church.

14. A group of G. A.'s from Cove Creek gave a play entitled, "A Search for Happiness."

15. Upon motion of Clyde R. Greene the Special Session expressed thanks to Union Church for her hospitality in entertaining the Session.

16. W. G. Bond brought a message, using as his subject verse 14 of the 5th chapter of Ephesians, "Awake That Your Light May Shine."

17. The Special Session adjourned; benediction by Clyde R. Greene.

H. K. Middleton, Moderator.

Clyde R. Greene, Clerk.

STATISTICAL  
TABLES

TABLE I. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location OC-V-T-C	Year Organized	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES										Total Value of All Church Property	Church Debt on Church Property	
			Dates of Meeting	Baptisms	By Letter	Other Additions	Losses by Letter	By Death	Other Losses	Pres. Res. Membership	Non-Res. Membership	Grand Total Present Membership			Weekly Pr. Mts. Held?
Antioch	OC	1849	1	3	4	10	1	1	1	206	208	1	1	2500	.....
Beaver Dam	OC	1874	5	1	1	8	1	1	1	100	97	1	1	3800	.....
Beech Valley	OC	1941	2	10	1	1	1	1	1	161	25	1	1	6000	.....
Bethany	OC	1898	4	4	1	2	1	1	1	102	50	1	1	1000	.....
Bethel	OC	1851	2	4	1	4	1	1	1	174	81	1	1	8000	.....
Blowing Rock	T	1903	All	1	4	5	2	5	2	197	285	1	1	23500	.....
Boone	T	1870	All	16	53	14	70	7	23	543	242	1	1	82500	.....
Brookside	OC	1938	2	4	7	17	11	1	1	118	33	1	1	2000	.....
Brushy Fork	OC	1881	1	3	5	4	1	1	1	123	64	2	1	4000	.....
Clark's Creek	OC	1898	1	3	5	4	1	1	1	123	64	2	1	4000	.....
Cove Springs	OC	1799	1	3	5	4	1	1	1	123	64	2	1	4000	.....
Cove Creek	V	1888	All	4	5	1	1	1	1	165	57	1	1	16000	.....
Elk Knob	OC	1890	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	61	25	1	1	500	.....
Forest Grove	OC	1889	1	3	2	3	2	3	2	126	46	1	1	1400	.....
Gap Creek	OC	1887	1	11	1	2	1	2	1	76	50	1	1	1500	.....
Green Valley	OC	1946	1	3	6	21	6	21	6	152	56	1	1	3000	.....
Howards Creek	OC	1892	4	5	2	14	2	2	2	279	152	1	1	1000	.....
Laurel Springs	OC	1873	2	4	6	2	7	2	7	279	279	1	1	10000	.....
Meat Camp	OC	1881	3	6	6	6	6	6	4	150	47	1	1	5000	.....
Middle Fork	OC	1905	4	1	3	2	3	2	3	143	143	1	1	2000	.....
Mountain Dale	OC	1941	2	4	8	3	3	3	1	69	3	1	1	3000	.....
Mount Calvary	V	1880	2	4	9	6	3	3	1	211	211	1	1	13000	.....
Mount Gilgaid	OC	1869	2	4	1	2	2	1	2	108	108	1	1	2000	.....
Mount Lebanon	OC	1891	2	21	2	1	9	2	9	243	243	1	1	5500	.....
Oak Grove	V	1916	2	4	6	29	1	6	2	151	50	1	1	7200	.....
Perkinsville	V	1947	2	4	6	29	1	6	2	35	35	1	1	4000	.....
Pleasant Grove	V	1891	1	3	37	8	1	4	1	307	152	1	1	5500	.....
Poplar Grove	OC	1872	3	5	1	4	1	4	1	157	34	1	1	2000	.....
Proffit Grove	OC	1921	3	4	8	1	8	1	8	96	40	1	1	2000	.....
Rich Mountain	OC	1905	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	57	25	1	1	2000	.....

Rutherfordwood.....	OC	1933	W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock.....	1	4	5	3	1	153	153	153	153	2	3000
Shulls Mills.....	OC	1888	Ira Hodges, Banner Elk.....	1	2	2	3	1	101	101	101	101	1	500
South Fork.....	OC	1833	Raymond Hendrix, Boone.....	2	4	4	7	4	140	140	140	1	3000	
Stony Fork.....	OC	1840	Baynum Trivett, Sugar Grove.....	2	4	8	7	4	195	195	195	1	12000	
Tabernacle.....	OC	1941	A. E. Moretz, Boone.....	2	4	8	7	4	24	24	24	1	3000	
Three Forks.....	OC	1790	Raymond Hendrix, Boone.....	3	12	6	2	2	135	135	135	2	1500	
Timbered Ridge.....	OC	1906	Lawrence Hagaman, Beech Creek.....	1	3	7	2	21	6	6	6	2	3000	
Union.....	OC	1885	Thomas Stanberry, Seymour, Tenn.....	1	3	12	5	1	199	199	199	1	6000	
White Rock.....	OC	1945	Dayton Jones, Heaton.....	1	4	1	11	1	35	35	35	1	4000	
Willowdale.....	OC	1911	Name not given.....	4	3	4	4	4	76	76	76	1	3000	
Willow Valley.....	OC	1935	H. K. Middleton, Sherwood.....	4	4	2	1	7	1	1	1	1	1000	
Zion Hill.....	OC	1885	Lawrence Hagaman, Beech Creek.....	2	4	4	2	2	174	174	174	2	8000	
Zionville.....	V	1836	R. C. Eggers, Zionville.....	2	4	20	1	1	232	232	232	1	5000	
TOTALS.....				272	203	22	246	46	39	23000	279200	23000	279200	



TABLE II. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Nursery, 3 and Under	Grade Roll, 3, Under	Beginners, 4-5	Primaries, 6-8	Juniors, 9-12	Intermediates 13-16	Young People, 17-24	Adults, 25 Years, Up	Extension Department	Gen., D'tal Officers	Total Enrollment, Officers, Teachers, Pupils	Average Attendance	Enrolment Vacation Bible Schools	Average Attendance
Antioch	Luther W. Ward, Sugar Grove.			8	10	12	23		22			75	59		
Beaver Dam	Clay Robinson, Trade, Tenn.			9	10	16	19	24	29			130	79	42	38
Beech Valley	O. H. Trivett, Beech Creek.			15	20	18	25	25	25			103	45	25	20
Bethany	Victor Farthing, Rominger.			20	9	10	17	11	23			182	48	72	48
Bethel	Name not given.			20	15	27	24	40	55		2	182	115	59	42
Blowing Rock	Kent Brown, Blowing Rock.			10	10	15	20		9			64	45		
Boone	S. C. Eggers, Boone.	67	22	28	39	64	56	169	151		5	583	258	171	122
Brookside	D. R. Ford, Blowing Rock.	1		9		4	8		8			29	20		
Brushy Fork	Lee Anderson, Vilas.	2	1	17	13	10	19	27	49			138	92		
Clark's Creek	W. C. Smith, Rominger.			10	6			18	17			41	30	19	16
Cool Springs	W. W. Austin, Shulls Mills.	8	10	9	11	19	19	14	28		3	68	38		
Cove Creek	Gordon Sherwood, Sherwood.			5	10	12	10	20	15			173	93	53	51
Elk Knob	Grady Potter, Tamarack.			6	9	18	25	20	45			72	35		
Forest Grove	J. G. Johnson, Reese.			6	5	11	9	10	22			123	68		
Gap Creek	A. G. Miller, Deep Gap.			12	10	8	16		21			63	45	29	18
Green Valley	J. Y. Smitherman, Reese.	9		10	8				12			76	65		
Howards Creek	Howard Miller, Boone.			10	10	8	15	15	21			65	60		
Laurel Springs	Clifford Ray, Deep Gap.			10	15	25	25	35	5		5	125	61		
Meat Camp	Grady Wilson, Boone.			8	17	15	15	25	24			104	61	55	40
Middle Fork	Will Hayes, Boone.	8		6	16	16	13	23	44			109	60		
Mountain Dale	Clyde Cornett, Reese.			10	12	12	15	19	32			100	85		
Mount Calvary	Homer Shoemaker, Ealm.	5		8	13	10	7	25	50		6	110	67	20	18
Mount Gilead	Charles Staten, Heaton.			9	12	9	10	18	18			58	48		
Mount Lebanon	S. B. Hayes, Vilas.			20	15		15	25	30			105	90		
Oak Grove	L. M. Hodges, Adams.	8	6	11	15	24	28	32	60		2	185	116	52	44
Perkinsville	S. J. Barnes, Boone.			12	12	11	16	19	15			85	56		
Pleasant Grove	Clifford Norris, Vilas.	10		21	34	66	48	35	142		2	358	153	74	61
Poplar Grove	Collis Austin, Shulls Mills.			15	20	20	15	20	30			120	77		
Proffit Grove	Name not given.			10	10	15	12	33	37			117	42		
Rich Mountain	L. E. Beach, Zonville.			10	10	15	16	15	13		4	54	45		



TABLE III. TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES		ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTOR W. J. Farthing, Valle Crucis											Total Enrollment	Average Attendance
	Adult Unions	Young Peoples' Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Total Unions, St. Hrs.	Adults Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Story Hours Enrolled	Gen., Dep'ta Officers			
Bethel .....	1	1	1	1	1	3	33	15	16	...	...	...	64	35	
Boone .....	2	1	1	1	1	4	77	30	23	...	...	...	133	62	
Brushy Fork .....	1	1	1	1	1	4	4	16	24	...	...	...	85	61	
Cove Creek .....	1	1	2	1	1	6	18	10	23	12	6	...	68	35	
Forest Grove .....	1	1	1	1	1	3	8	...	20	15	...	...	43	28	
Mount Calvary .....	1	1	1	1	1	2	15	10	...	...	...	...	25	18	
Oak Grove .....	1	1	1	1	1	5	20	29	15	17	5	...	77	55	
Pleasant Grove .....	1	1	2	2	1	7	14	16	26	18	7	...	81	64	
Poplar Grove .....	1	2	1	1	1	5	4	...	17	11	4	...	36	30	
South Fork .....	1	1	1	1	1	2	22	...	12	...	...	...	34	25	
Timbered Ridge .....	1	1	1	1	1	4	15	18	16	8	...	...	57	35	
Union .....	1	1	1	1	1	5	26	29	13	16	10	...	94	65	
Zion Hill .....	1	1	1	1	1	4	16	13	14	10	14	...	72	48	
TOTALS .....	9	12	14	13	6	54	137	291	199	179	53	19	866	551	

TABLE IV. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	Number W. M. S.	Number Y. W. A. s	Number G. A. s	Number R. A. s	Number Sunbeams	Tota W. M. U. Orgs.	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A. Members	G. A. Members	R. A. Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Mem. Enrolled	Tot. Enr. Miss St. Crs	Contributions (Local Work) by W. M. U.	Contributions (Misc) by W. M. U.
Beech Valley	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	20	1	1	1	20	1	27.82	34.92
Blowing Rock	1	1	1	1	1	1	24	24	1	1	1	34	1	615.87	62.53
Boone	1	1	1	1	1	1	104	10	8	12	25	159	50	267.50	1821.52
Cove Creek	1	1	2	2	1	1	41	41	19	12	12	84	47	161.30	160.05
Meat Camp	1	1	1	1	1	1	25	25	1	1	1	25	1	170.40	67.92
Mount Calvary	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	1	1	1	10	1	9.71	25.85
Oak Grove	1	1	1	1	1	1	16	8	9	16	1	49	27	380.00	253.00
Poplar Grove	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	18	1	1	1	18	15	18.00	14.55
Stony Fork	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	6	1	1	1	6	1	18.00	14.55
Willow Valley	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	12	1	1	1	12	1	275.00	65.00
Zion Hill	1	2	4	4	2	1	6	18	36	40	37	413	149	1935.60	2559.59
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>1935.60</b>	<b>2559.59</b>

PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S.

ASSOCIATIONAL PRESIDENT  
Mrs. H. K. Middleton, Sherwood

Mrs. W. S. Harman, Beech Creek  
Mrs. C. T. Hartley, Blowing Rock  
Mrs. W. F. Miller, Boone  
Mrs. Jas. B. Mast, Sherwood  
Mrs. Ennis Byers, Zionville  
Mrs. Coffey Coffey, Banner Elk  
Mrs. C. J. Farthing, Boone  
Mrs. Roy Williams, Shulls Mills  
Mrs. R. L. Wagner, Deep Gap  
Mrs. Benlah Edmisten, Sugar Grove  
Mrs. Berlie Tester, Beech Creek

TABLE VI. LOCAL GIFTS

CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	Pastor's Salary	Incidentals	Choir Leader, etc.	Revival, Supply	Church Debt	Literature	Local Poor	Minutes	Building Fund	Local Missions	Other Objects	Total Given for Work
Antioch	G. A. Edmisten, Sugar Grove.	247.91	30.00	.....	60.00	.....	47.35	84.00	.....	.....	.....	19.15	488.41
Beaver Dam	Lee Swift, Trade, Tenn.	311.10	30.00	.....	166.65	.....	53.91	49.30	.....	.....	.....	55.00	665.96
Beech Valley	Stacy Ward, Beech Creek.	364.69	378.23	21.86	97.20	.....	34.33	.....	3.00	.....	20.00	.....	919.31
Bethany	Victor Farthing, Rominger.	217.75	5.00	38.04	48.01	.....	42.43	.....	8.00	196.86	5.00	.....	556.09
Bethel	Edgar Farthing, Sugar Grove.	666.57	373.25	.....	135.00	.....	114.54	194.18	.....	.....	.....	8.21	1491.54
Blowing Rock	D. P. Coffey, Blowing Rock.	1376.20	1011.03	.....	130.00	1434.20	55.87	5.57	2.00	.....	.....	2237.09	4835.87
Boone	Russell D. Hodges, Boone.	3064.11	4745.26	1277.57	610.34	1000.00	652.64	140.00	20.00	.....	.....	.....	13747.01
Brookside	Name not given.	75.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	546.52	.....	.....	85.00
Brushy Fork	Chas. Moody, Vilas.	487.72	46.25	35.85	100.61	.....	174.51	452.95	5.00	.....	.....	.....	1859.41
Clark's Creek	Mrs. Nila Coffey, Banner Elk.	120.00	20.00	62.00	147.00	.....	44.90	14.00	.....	.....	32.00	31.50	473.40
Cool Springs	Milton Payne, Boone.	271.80	45.88	.....	29.21	.....	20.00	.....	3.15	.....	.....	.....	370.04
Cove Creek	S. F. Horton, Sugar Grove.	1800.00	605.84	78.00	76.00	.....	294.13	.....	10.00	.....	.....	241.68	3105.65
Elk Knob	Sam S. South, Tamarack.	165.00	.....	.....	25.00	.....	20.00	.....	1.00	100.87	.....	40.71	211.00
Forest Grove	Mrs. Bulah Hagaman, Vilas.	239.86	9.04	.....	73.88	.....	52.51	.....	4.00	.....	.....	.....	520.87
Gap Creek	Mrs. Clyde Moretz, Deep Gap.	290.00	50.00	.....	40.00	.....	285.00	.....	4.00	3000.00	.....	.....	719.00
Green Valley	Name not given.	245.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23.00	24.00	3245.00
Howards Creek	L. F. Cottrell, Boone.	224.61	77.37	.....	49.90	.....	27.44	.....	3.00	.....	.....	.....	429.32
Laurel Springs	Clifford Ray, Deep Gap.	583.80	121.00	.....	119.00	.....	65.00	92.00	6.00	.....	.....	.....	986.80
Meat Camp	W. H. Greene, Boone.	376.00	75.20	100.00	70.20	.....	49.55	32.00	.....	.....	.....	96.27	805.22
Middle Fork	L. P. Hodges, Blowing Rock.	163.00	54.00	62.75	.....	.....	43.07	.....	.....	700.76	.....	.....	1061.58
Mountain Dale	Collis Greene, Reese.	349.05	35.00	88.40	.....	.....	40.77	.....	3.00	.....	17.24	.....	533.46
Mount Calvary	J. M. Shoemaker, Balm.	720.00	104.65	.....	.....	.....	58.30	.....	2.50	545.19	.....	.....	1437.64
Mount Gilgaid	Chas. Staten, Heaton.	300.80	20.50	48.49	31.87	.....	24.00	.....	.....	.....	7.00	.....	425.66
Mount Lebanon	Calvin Hayes, Vilas.	257.25	30.00	160.00	.....	.....	61.00	25.00	.....	.....	17.70	.....	562.35
Oak Grove	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams.	585.66	353.20	75.60	75.00	.....	141.64	50.00	5.00	1186.47	.....	6.50	2479.07
Perkinsville	Hoy Greene, Boone.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove	Everette Culler, Zionville.	672.62	118.17	.....	231.47	.....	126.11	200.00	5.00	.....	.....	473.31	1843.68
Poplar Grove	T. M. Shore, Boone.	332.46	93.98	.....	22.41	.....	67.87	63.23	.....	118.84	.....	50.66	761.45
Profit Grove	W. A. Proffit, Zionville.	74.00	33.24	.....	94.00	.....	29.38	53.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....	323.46
Rich Mountain	L. E. Beach, Zionville.	217.67	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.00	.....	1.70	.....	.....	.....	234.37



Rutherfordwood.....	300.00	140.07	184.99	44.03	126.56	5.00	526.93	.....	1327.58	
Shulls Mills.....	174.73	11.33	34.15	19.82	24.00	.....	2638.79	.....	3050.33	
South Fork.....	440.60	72.14	39.30	37.91	18.61	3.00	245.11	.....	856.67	
Stony Fork.....	490.21	545.51	209.57	82.18	.....	10.00	.....	.....	1679.20	
Tabernacle.....	108.23	.....	16.22	16.26	47.81	3.00	.....	340.73	.....	
Three Forks.....	416.30	144.60	203.05	124.04	.....	4.00	105.50	10.00	201.12	
Timbered Ridge.....	240.00	1244.00	75.00	32.00	.....	.....	.....	165.00	1162.99	
Union.....	1197.95	268.20	194.71	72.77	.....	8.00	.....	446.36	1601.00	
White Rock.....	135.59	.....	91.46	31.49	.....	2.00	835.70	.....	1146.34	
Willowdale.....	1040.00	75.00	50.00	70.00	80.00	3.00	.....	.....	1318.00	
Willow Valley.....	243.50	88.30	43.02	46.15	35.45	.....	.....	.....	494.43	
Zion Hill.....	400.00	74.03	67.00	76.32	119.18	.....	4199.00	38.00	5018.06	
Zionville.....	472.02	85.77	127.00	65.73	.....	.....	.....	65.00	875.52	
TOTALS.....	20509.26	11215.04	3565.17	3369.95	1906.84	143.35	15009.64	254.78	4381.21	66122.85













**Three Forks  
Baptist  
Association  
North Carolina**

**One Hundred and Eighth Session  
held with  
Laurel Springs Baptist Church  
Laxon, N. C.  
August 24 and 25, 1948**

**The One Hundred and Ninth Session to be held with  
Forest Grove Baptist Church, Vilas, N. C.,  
Aug. 30 and Zionville Baptist Church,  
Zionville, N. C., Aug. 31, 1949**

**Ronda Earp to preach the Annual Sermon on the first  
day of the Session; Bynum Trivette, Alternate.  
C. O. Vance to preach on second day; R.  
E. Hendrix, Alternate**



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**SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE 1949 SESSION**

THEME: "Fear Ye Not, Stand Still, and See the Salvation of the LORD," Exodus 14:13.

**FOREST GROVE**

**Tuesday, August 30, 1949**

- 9:00—9:25— Devotional and Roll Call  
 9:25—9:45— Address of Moderator  
 9:45—10:15— Temperance  
 10:15—10:45— Executive Committee  
 10:45—11:15— Religious Literature  
 11:15—11:25— Announcements and Miscellaneous  
 11:25—12:15— Annual Sermon—Ronda Earp.

**Noon Recess**

- 1:00— 1:15— Devotional  
 1:15— 1:45— Woman's Work  
 1:45— 3:15— Missions (Associational, State, Home and Foreign)  
 3:15— 3:30— Closing Worship

**ZIONVILLE**

**Wednesday, August 31, 1949**

- 9:00— 9:15— Opening Worship  
 9:15— 9:30— Obituaries  
 9:30—11:00— Christian Education (Sunday Schools, B. T. U., and Colleges)  
 11:00—11:20— Election of Officers and Miscellaneous  
 11:20—12:10— Sermon—C. O. Vance

**Noon Recess**

- 1:00— 1:15— Devotional  
 1:15— 1:45— Associational Progress  
 1:45— 3:00— Benevolences (Orphanage, Hospital and Old Ministers' Relief)  
 3:00— 3:30— Reports: Treasurer, Finance Committee, Nominations, Resolutions and Time, Place and Preacher  
 3:30— 3:45— Miscellaneous and Reading Minutes  
 3:45— 4:00— Closing Worship

**ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY**

R. C. Eggers, Moderator .....	Zionville
Wade E. Brown, Vice-Moderator .....	Boone
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treasurer .....	Boone
W. J. Farthing, Historian .....	Valle Crucis
C. J. Farthing, Song Leader .....	Boone
Wade E. Brown, Hospital Director .....	Boone
Russell D. Hodges, Orphanage Director .....	Boone
W. J. Farthing, B. T. U. Director ..	Valle Crucis
C. J. Farthing, Sunday School Director .....	Boone
R. C. Eggers, Colporteur .....	Zionville
Mrs. Don Perry, Librarian .....	Sherwood



**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Dr. Wiley Smith, Chairman	Boone
Lawrence Hagaman	Beech Creek
N. M. Greene	Boone
Dallas Wilson	Reese
Verne Greene	Stony Fork
W. C. Payne	Blowing Rock
S. C. Eggers	Boone
R. H. Shore	Blowing Rock
John Hagaman	Zionville
Ronda Earp	Vilas
R. C. Eggers	Zionville
Clyde R. Greene	Boone
C. J. Farthing	Boone
W. J. Farthing	Valle Crucis
Mrs. A. E. Moretz	Boone

**COMMITTEES TO REPORT AT 1949 SESSION**

Associational Progress	Ralph Beshears and Ronda Earp
Christian Education	W. G. Bond and Wade E. Brown
Benevolences	N. M. Greene and Victor Trivett
Missions	W. C. Payne and Lawrence Hagaman
Obituaries	J. T. C. Wright and N. T. Byers
Religious Literature	R. C. Eggers and Clyde R. Greene
Resolutions	Dallas Wilson and John Hagaman
Temperance	Wiley Smith and Raymond Hendrix
Woman's Work	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson and Mrs. H. R. Eggers

**BAPTIST TRAINING UNION ORGANIZATION**

Director	W. J. Farthing, Valle Crucis
Associate Director	I. B. Wilson, Zionville
Secretary-Treas.	Carrie Lee Farthing, Boone
Choister	C. J. Farthing, Boone
Pianist	Bettie Jean Farthing, Boone
Pastor-Advisor	W. G. Bond, Boone
Adult Leader	Wilson Norris, Boone
Young Peoples' Leader	Cecil Glenn, Sugar Grove
Intermediate Leader	Mrs. Maxie Edmisten, Vilas
Junior Leader	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville
Story Hour Leader	Mrs. Cecil Glenn, Sugar Grove
Group Directors:	Mrs. Kathleen Isaacs, Sugar Grove; Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone; Vance Culler, Boone and Grady Wilson, Boone.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZATION**

Missionary	Juanita Davis, Boone
Superintendent	C. J. Farthing, Boone
Associate Superintendent	W. J. Farthing, Valle Crucis
Associate Superintendent	C. O. Vance, Vilas
Associate Superintendent	Mrs. Dorothy Greene, Sugar Grove
Secretary-Treasurer	Clyde R. Greene, Boone

Pianist .....	Bettie Jean Farthing, Boone
Choister .....	Wm. Hodges, Boone
Group Superintendents: Paul Winkler, Boone; Grady Wilson, Boone; Edgar Edmisten, Sugar Grove and I. B. Wilson, Zionville.	
Cradle Roll Sup't. ....	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams
Beginners' Sup't. ....	Mrs. W. G. Bond, Boone
Primary Sup't. ....	Mrs. Maxie Edmisten, Vilas
Junior Sup't. ....	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville
Young Peoples' Sup't. ....	Marjorie Toole, Boone
Adult Sup't. ....	Ralph Beshears, Boone

### WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION ORGANIZATION

Superintendent .....	Mrs. A. E. Moretz, Boone
Associate Sup't. ....	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams
Secretary-Treasurer .....	Mrs. Don C. Perry, Sherwood
Young Peoples' Leader .....	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville
R. A. Counselor .....	John Ward
Mission Study Chairman .....	Mrs. Verne Greene, Boone
Community Mission Chairman ..	Mrs. S. F. Horton, Sugar Grove
Margaret Fund and W. M. U.	
Training School Chairman ..	Mrs. Oscar Harris, Blowing Rock
Stewardship Chairman .....	Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone
Library and Literature Chairman ..	Mrs. Ralph Greene, Boone

### ORDAINED MINISTERS

Church	Name	Address
Antioch	Bynum Trivett	Sugar Grove
Bethany	James Allen, Rominger; J. T. McGuire,	Altapass.
Bethel	E. J. Farthing	Sugar Grove
Blowing Rock	Oscar J. Harris	Blowing Rock
	J. M. Hodges	Blowing Rock
Boone	W. G. Bond	Boone
	Wiley Smith	Boone
	D. M. Edmisten	Boone
Brushy Fork	Ronda Earp	Vilas
Cool Springs	W. C. Payne	Blowing Rock
	Howard Shore	Boone
Cove Creek	H. K. Middleton	Sherwood
Elk Knob	Hiram Phillips	Todd
Forest Grove	Fred Hagaman	Vilas
	Dave Greene	Vilas
Laurel Springs	W. C. Greene	Laxon
	J. L. Greene	Purleon
Meat Camp	A. E. Moretz	Boone
	N. M. Greene	Boone
Mount Calvary	Ira Hodges	Banner Elk
	Roby Painter	Balm
Mount Lebanon	T. T. Danner	Valle Crucis
Pleasant Grove	John Hagaman	Zionville
Poplar Grove	Clayton Greene	Shulls Mills
Rutherford	A. B. Church	Boone
Stony Fork	H. H. Smith	Deep Gap

Three Forks — Raymond Hendrix .....	Boone
Ben Wood .....	Boone
Robert Honeycutt	
Bearol Culler	
Timebered Ridge — Albert Tester .....	Reese
Willowdale — C. O. Vance .....	Vilas
Zionville — R. C. Eggers .....	Zionville
D. C. Trivett .....	Zionville

**LICENTIATES**

Bethany — A. T. Watson .....	Rominger
Gold Hicks .....	Rominger
South Fork — Page Norris .....	Todd
Timbered Ridge — John Ward .....	Reece

**MESSENGERS**

**ANTIOCH—**

M. L. Shepherd, W. D. Harmon, G. A. Edmisten

**BEAVER DAM—**

Lee Swift, Dallas Wilson, Clay Robinson.

**BEECH CREEK—**

Claude Presnell, Mrs. O. H. Trivett, Stacy Ward.

**BETHANY—**

M. P. Ward, Mrs. Victor Farthing, A. T. Watson.

**BETHEL—**

W. R. Vines, Mrs. W. R. Vines, Howard Lawrence.

**BLOWING ROCK—**

J. H. Winkler, K. K. Brown, Mrs. Ed Robbins.

**BOONE—**

S. C. Eggers, Mrs. W. F. Miller, Clyde R. Greene.

**BROOKSIDE—**

No Messengers or Letter .

**BRUSHY FORK—**

A. C. Moody, Charlie Moody, Grady Greene.

**CLARK'S CREEK—**

W. C. Smith, Marvin Lawrence, Robert Greene.

**COOL SPRINGS—**

W. W. Austin, M. L. West, Howard Shore.

**COVE CREEK—**

James Sherwood, Dean Swift, Judge Adams.

**ELK KNOB—**

Grady Potter, J. M. Smith, Glenn South.

**FOREST GROVE—**

Fred Hagaman, Hill Eggers, Chas. Johnson.

**GAP CREEK—**

Russell Wellborn, Thomas Fairchild, A. G. Miller.

**GREEN VALLEY—**

George Smitherman, Clark Greene, Albert Ward.

**HOWARD'S CREEK—**

L. F. Cottrell, Watson Tester, Howard Miller.

**LAUREL SPRINGS—**

T. H. Greer, W. M. Day, R. W. Idol.

MABEL—

R. H. Townsend, J. M. Burkett, Chas. Younce.

MEAT CAMP—

Mrs. Emley Clawson, Mrs. Ennis Byers, Mrs. A. E. Moretz.

MIDDLE FORK—

H. B. Triplett, Will Hayes, L. P. Hodges.

MOUNTAIN DALE—

Clyde Cornett, Clay Phillips, Millard Green

MOUNT CALVARY—

Will Puckett, Floyd Bird, Mrs. James Shoemaker.

MOUNT GILEAD—

Ted Reece, Paul Bunton, W. L. Greenwell.

MOUNT LEBANON—

No Messengers Listed on Letter.

OAK GROVE—

C. J. Farthing, L. M. Hodges, Mrs. John Ward.

PERKINSVILLE—

S. J. Barnes, Homer Lane, N. L. Barnes.

PLEASANT GROVE

Pat Lawrence, Cling Eggers, Emma Warren.

POPLAR GROVE—

Frank Austin, Collis Austin, W. M. Day.

PROFFIT GROVE—

W. A. Proffit, Paul Greene, Arlie Proffit.

RICH MOUNTAIN—

Jim McNeill, Frank Culler, Forace Moretz.

RUTHERWOOD—

Mrs. Howard Parlier, Mrs. Ralph Hodges, Mrs. B. D. Clawson.

SHULLS MILLS—

C. M. Shore, John Reed, J. M. Day.

SOUTH FORK—

Ed Jones, Page Norris, Eugene Seatz.

STONY FORK—

Joe J. Wellborn, Riley Greene, Harlan Greene.

TABERNACLE—

Glenn Stansberry, Fred Brown, Mrs. Etta Brown.

THREE FORKS—

Mrs. Roby Greer, James Austin, A. J. Edmisten.

TIMBERED RIDGE—

Grady Smitherman, Ray Tester, Albert Tester.

UNION—

Barnie Oliver, Ivan Younce, Max Hagaman.

WHITE ROCK—

Hade Smith, Romie Ruppard, J. D. Shook.

WILLOWDALE—

I. A. Bumgarner, Fred Edmisten, Mrs. M. C. Elliott.

WILLOW VALLEY—

Carlie Greene, G. C. Ward, Oscar Ward.

ZION HILL—

Lewis Harmon, Ray Harmon, Henry Hagaman.

ZIONVILLE—

W. R. Holman, Ross Potter, Fred Castle.



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## Constitution

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association who, on producing letters from their respective church certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, the ministers being ex-officio.

2. In the letters from the different churches is to be expressed their numbers in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed by letter, excommunicated and dead since last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any special power over the churches. They shall not infringe upon any internal right of any church in this Union.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and clerk who shall be chosen annually by the suffrage of the members present.

5. New churches or any regular church of Christ being legally dismissed by letter by any sister Association, upon application and delegates, shall be admitted to our Union.

6. Every church in the Association shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

7. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be once read and before it is debated the Moderator shall put it to a vote, and if there is a majority for it being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and be debated, but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of their proceedings. The best method of accomplishing this purpose shall be at the direction of the future Associations.

10. We think it is absolutely necessary that we should have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For the raising and supporting of which we think it to be the duty of each church in the Union to contribute annually such sums as they may think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association. The money thus raised shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer, appointed by the Association, who shall be accountable for the same. He shall pay the money out from time to time as the Association may direct.

11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for his services.

12. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needs be, and signed by the Moderator and the Clerk before the Association rises.

13. Amendments to the plans or form of government may



be made at any time by a majority of the Association when they deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months prior notice.

14. The Association shall have power:  
 To provide for the general union of the churches.  
 To endeavor to preserve a chain of union amongst the churches.  
 To give the churches the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

To appropriate the money contributed by the churches for an Associational fund to any purpose they may think proper.

To have power to withdraw from any church in their Union who shall violate the rules of this Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

To correspond with sister Associations.

To invite any Baptist in the ministry to a seat in the Association, who may be present at the time of their sitting.

To adjourn the Association to any future time and place they may think proper and most convenient to the churches of the Union.

## Rules of Decorum

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

3. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect upon the person who spoke before him as to make remarks on his steps, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state the matter as he can do so as to give his views or ideas.

4. No person shall abruptly break or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

5. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on any one subject without liberty from the Association.

6. No member shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same or whispering in the time of public speaking.

7. No member shall address another in any other appellation than that of brother.

8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

9. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as required by the Association.

10. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any of the other members, provided the chair be filled. He shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

**Proceedings Of The  
One Hundred Eighth Session Of The  
THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION  
Of North Carolina  
HELD WITH LAUREL SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH  
LAXON, N. C.  
FIRST DAY — TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 1948  
MORNING SESSION**

1. The One Hundred Eighth Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina met with Laurel Springs Baptist Church, Laxon, N. C., on Tuesday, August 24, 1948, at 9:15 A. M.

2. The opening Song Service was conducted by C. J. Farthing. Victor Trivett read the fourth chapter of James and commented on verses eight and ten. He then led in prayer.

3. Because of the absence of the Moderator, H. K. Middleton; the vice-Moderator, R. C. Eggers called the One Hundred Eighth Session to order for the transaction of business.

4. The roll of the churches was called by the Clerk, Clyde R. Greene, who announced that twenty-three churches responded and that letters had been received from all the churches except four.

5. The address of the Moderator was delivered by R. C. Eggers, who announced his subject, "Lengthen your cords and strengthen your stakes." The following suggestions were made as to how Christians can accomplish the purpose suggested in the subject:

1. Christian living
2. Daily Bible study
3. Daily prayer
4. Winning the lost to Christ.

6. R. C. Eggers, Chairman of the Executive Committee brought the report of the committee on Order of Business for the 1948 Session. The report was adopted as read.

7. I. A. Bumgarner presented the report on Temperance. The subject was discussed by W. J. Farthing and C. O. Vance and the report was adopted.

**REPORT ON TEMPERANCE**

Our land continues to come face to face with her number one enemy — the liquor traffic. Today we are told that there are fifty million drinkers in the United States. At least 750,000 of these are alcoholics and more than two millions are exposed to physiological damage beyond controversy. These are figures published by the Yale University School of Alcohol Studies.

The enemy increases in damage done, especially among women. Far more women drink today than five years ago. This means that the American home will continue to suffer in an even greater way as the women in the home lends her support to the liquor industry.

Government figures indicate that the consumption of al-

coholic beverage has increased in the United States in the last eleven years by 112 per cent. Any straight-thinking individual facing this increase during the war years when grain was scarce knows that tragedy is all we can hope for unless there is a radical change in the present trend.

What can we do about this? The first thing anyone can do is to be a party to the widespread feeling that John Barleycorn and all his brothers and sisters be voted out. Our county permits the sale of beer and wine. The people will vote it out if given a chance.

Another thing which can be done is to continue to spread information about the damage the liquor industry is doing in our country to our national economic, social and spiritual life. Newspapers and magazines should be forbidden to advertise alcoholic drinks in any form.

Still another thing we must do as Christians — rescue the men and women who drink.

Respectfully submitted,  
I. A. BUMGARNER,  
W. G. BOND.

8. At the request of R. C. Eggers, the Clerk read the report on Religious Literature. After discussion by Earl L. Bradley, of the Raleigh Association and W. J. Farthing, the report was adopted.

### REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Our people are largely molded and influenced by the kind of literature they read. History proves this statement. Infidels are made by what they read; Communists are produced in the same way.

Bad literature poisons the very stream of life while good literature uplifts and points the way onward and upward to better living. Satan uses the writers of trashy literature to further his designs.

Every church in our Association should have a good library with suitable books for our young people. Likewise, every home should see to it that good books and magazines are provided. Of course, we recommend the reading of the Bible every day, as it is God's second best gift to man. Jesus Christ is God's first best gift to men. The Bible should be read at least 15 minutes each day by every Christian and every night in family devotion. The Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children should be in every Baptist home. All our churches should make clubs of at least 5 or more. The Commission and Southern Home Missions are good.

Respectfully submitted,  
R. C. EGGERS,  
W. C. PAYNE.

9. The Clerk read the report of the Executive Committee. Item one was adopted as read. Item two was discussed by W. J. Farthing, Wiley Smith and was adopted. Item three was adopted as read. Item four was discussed by Clyde R. Greene.

Wiley Smith called for the report of Miss Jaunita Davis, Associational Missionary, which she read. The discussion was continued by W. J. Farthing, Oscar Harris, W. C. Payne, C. O. Vance, Ben Wood, and Roby Painter and the item was adopted. Item five was discussed by Claude Gaddy and Earl Bradley and was adopted. Item six was adopted after discussion by C. J. Farthing and item seven was discussed by R. C. Eggers and was adopted.

### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Your Executive Committee met three times during the year, at the call of the Chairman, R. C. Eggers, to consider the necessary business of the Association, which requires attention between Sessions. We met first to prepare a Suggested Order of Business for this Session; then to prepare a program for the Spring Session and last to consider the recommendations from the committee to this Session, which are as follows:

1. That the following recommendation adopted at our 1947 Session be recinded:

"That after this present Session the custom of providing dinner on the grounds by the host church be discontinued."

2. That hereafter the Annual Sessions of the Association be held with two churches instead of one as has been our custom.

3. That the recommendations of the Executive Committee be voted on separately by the Association.

4. That the work of the Associational Missionary be continued and that the details of the work for the next year be worked out by the Executive Committee.

5. We recommend that all our churches send representatives to the State Baptist Convention and to the State-wide and South-wide Assemblies. We commend our churches that have been doing this.

6. That our churches extend an indefinite call to their pastors rather than the Annual Call, which is in general use at present and that when a church is in the process of calling a pastor, that only one man be considered at a time.

7. That our pastors preach more on the New Testament plan of church discipline.

Respectfully submitted,

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

### REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

My work for the year includes visits to twenty churches where I conducted one worship service; 7 prayer meetings; taught four Sunday School classes; spoke at three Associational Sunday School meetings; assisted in one Associational Sunday School Study Course; attended six Church planning meetings; participated in 12 Training Union programs and taught 2 Study Courses; assisted with 4 W. M. U. programs; taught 4 W. M. U. Study Courses and attended three other W. M. U. Meetings; conducted 4 Vacation Bible Schools and attended 4 Vacation



Bible School Conferences; issued 6 bulletins; attended 11 meetings outside the Association; assisted in 2 S. S. Enlargement Campaigns in the Chowan and Johnston Associations.

Respectfully submitted,  
JUANITA DAVIS.

10. The following visitors were recognized: Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Gragg, Stony Fork Association; Mrs. F. L. Hampton; Stony Fork Association; Mrs. Turner Watson, Ashe Association; Mrs. John Watson, Coshocton, Ohio Association; Claude F. Gaddy, Raleigh Association; Owen F. Herring, Wake Forest College; Earl L. Bradley, Raleigh Association.

11. The Moderator announced the following Committees:  
FINANCE — R. H. Townsend and I. A. Bumgarner.

NOMINATIONS — S. C. Eggers, Ross Potter and W. C. Payne.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER — Lawrence Hagaman and N. M. Greene.

12. Mable, a recently organized Baptist Church, applied for membership with us. The Moderator appointed a committee consisting of W. J. Farthing, Fred Hagaman and Ira Hodges to consider and report on this application.

13. The Moderator recognized C. O. Vance, Victor Trivett, C. H. Kincaid and Roby Painter, new pastors in our Association.

14. After the congregation sang "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder," Oscar J. Harris, the appointee to preach the Annual Sermon, was recognized. Bro. Harris read from the first chapter of the Gospel of John and lead in prayer. He announced his subject, "The Incarnate Christ," and emphasized the following thoughts:

1. God has always existed.
2. God is a free Spirit.
3. God, through Christ, created all things.
4. The Incarnation of Christ is the crowning glory of God's creation.
5. Jesus is a co-equal member of the Godhead.
6. His Incarnation, which produced the cross, is the center of Christianity.
7. The Resurrection is a result of the Incarnation.
8. The Incarnate Christ is God's greatest revelation to man.
9. Jesus came that we may know life.
10. Jesus came that we may know God.
11. The Word of God become flesh and dwelt among us.

15. W. C. Greene announced that dinner would be served on the church lawn. Benediction by C. O. Vance.

Noon recess.

16. The Association re-convened at 1:00 P. M. After a song, "At the Cross," Ronda Earp conducted the devotional service. Fred Hagaman led in prayer and Mrs. Allie Stanly, of Duke University, sang "He Walks With Me."

17. W. J. Farthing reported favorably for the committee on the admission of Mabel Baptist Church to our Association.



The new church was received, the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to the messengers.

18. Mrs. A. E. Moretz read the report on Woman's Work. After a motion to adopt, the report was discussed by C. J. Farthing, W. J. Farthing, Mrs. D. F. Horton and Ben Wood and was adopted.

### REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

Our watchword is "Laborers together with God." We are faced with a challenge to truly work in the great harvest field with our Father, for the fields are indeed white unto harvest, but the laborers are few. Our annual watchword is "That at the Name of Jesus, every knee should bow."

May we humbly pray that more laborers may be sent into the Master's work. In making this report we urge every church to cease opposition to the woman's work and awaken to the task of soul-winning that is truly ours. In praying for workers, may be pray for our pastors that God will open their eyes to the humble part the women play in the Lord's work, so that they will cooperate more completely with the Woman's Missionary Union.

Respectfully submitted,  
MRS. A. E. MORETZ,  
MRS. WADE CLAWSON,

19. A motion prevailed that in the absence of the report on Mission, the subject be discussed. Earl L. Bradley, representing the Baptist State Mission Board, spoke on Missions. He brought a ringing challenge to Christians on their world opportunity. Juanita Davis, Associational Missionary, spoke on her work during the past year.

20. After a motion to adjourn, Wiley Smith conducted a short closing worship service and pronounced the benediction.

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 1948 MORNING SESSION

21. The Moderator called the Session to order at 9:15 A. M. After a short song service, conducted by C. J. Farthing, N. M. Greene conducted the opening worship service.

22. The Moderator appointed W. W. Wilson, Ronda Hodges and Gordon Hodges on the Committee on Resolutions.

23. By motion duly passed, the report on Obituaries was deferred.

24. The report on Christian Education was presented by W. J. Farthing. A motion to adopt the report was made and it was discussed by W. J. Farthing, C. J. Farthing, M. H. Kendall, Mars Hill College, and was adopted.

### REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

This is a day of education. Literary education is in reach of all. There are many branches of education to prepare people for various professions of life, but only one branch of educa-

tion that prepares people for the highest, and best privilege of usefulness here as well as preparing people for eternity, which is the profoundest and most important preparation that is in reach of man.

There are many institutions of learning in reach of us all but the best and most important of all institutions is the Christian Home and the Church of Jesus Christ, the only two institutions of Divine origin on earth.

The Church is the best school of all. It has the best teacher — our Savior and Lord. It studies the best book — the inspired Word of God. It enlists the best people — those who love God and would do good. It engages in the best work — winning souls to Christ and building them up in Christ. It strives toward the best goal — the new birth and the good life. In short, the Church School is the school of the best — the best of heart and hand, the best of heaven and earth, the best for time and eternity. It affords the highest educational motive in that it places Christ in the center of life.

The Church School or Sunday School's primary responsibility is to reach the people, and win them to Christ. It's only textbook is the Bible — the greatest textbook in all the world. It teaches people how to live the good life here and prepares them for Eternal life hereafter. It stands squarely for thorough moral teaching and sound Christian doctrine, which is the one aggressive agency of Christianity. Another very important agency of the Church is the Baptist Training Union. Its responsibility is to train and develop all the members of the Church, and fit them for the various activities of the Church.

All the churches of an Association today, stand in dire need of trained leaders, and teachers for the Sunday Schools and the Training Unions — leaders and teachers for the Vacation Bible Schools.

All of our churches have Sunday Schools, but less than half of them have Training Unions. And very few of them had Vacation Bible Schools this year.

Jesus Christ's last commission to his followers was, "Ye are my Witnesses from Home to the Uttermost parts of the Earth." A witness is one who knows something and is willing and anxious to tell it. A large per cent of our church members are not reading the Bible as they should. They are not reading our religious papers. How can they be witnesses for our Savior unless they read and study the work of God.

Very few unsaved people attend church any more. If we are to reach them, we must go out into the highways and hedges and bring them in. The primary reason for the existence of the church is to reach the people and win the lost to Christ. If a church ceases to win lost people to Christ, then there is no longer any reason for it to exist.

The greatest opportunities of all ages are now knocking at our doors. If we do not wake up and avail ourselves of these opportunities, it will soon be too late.

Respectfully submitted,  
W. J. FARTHING,  
C. J. FARTHING.

25. The Moderator recognized Rev. E. S. Morgan of the Kennedy Home branch of the N. C. Baptist Orphanage, who spoke on our Orphanage work.

26. The Clerk read the report on Obituaries, which was adopted. G. A. Hamby led a prayer in memory of our 29 deceased members.

27. The Moderator recognized 16 ministers who were present.

28. Wade E. Brown, Chairman of the committee appointed by the 1947 Session to look into the matter of purchasing some property for a Summer Camp for the Association reported that no progress had been made. The committee was not continued.

29. Wade E. Brown read the report of the Committee on Associational Progress and discussed the report. The discussion was continued by Clyde R. Gerene and S. C. Eggers and the report was adopted.

**REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL PROGRESS**

	1947-48		Gain or Loss
Number of Churches	43	44	Gain 1
Membership	7280	7379	Gain 99
Sunday Schools	5040	5400	Gain 360
Baptisms	272	270	Loss 2
W. M. U.	413	533	Gain 120
B. T. U.	850	826	Loss 24
Local Contributions	66,122.65	95,454.27	Gain 29,332.62
Missions & Benev.	13,497.83	12,618.03	Loss 879.80
Total Contributions	79,620.68	198,072.30	Gain 28,451.62

Respectfully submitted,  
WADE E. BROWN.

30. R. C. Eggers gave his report as Colporteur which was adopted.

31. The election of Officers being the next order of business, the Moderator called for nominations for Moderator, W. C. Payne nominated R. C. Eggers. There being no other nominations, by motion duly passed, Wade E. Brown cast the vote of the Association for R. C. Eggers for Moderator. Other officers as follows were elected. Wade E. Brown, Vice-Moderator; Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treasurer; W. J. Farthing, Historian and B. T. U. Director; C. J. Farthing, Sunday School Director and Song Leader; Wade E. Brown, Hospital Director; Russell D. Hodges, Orphanage Director; R. C. Eggers, Colporteur; Mrs. Don Perry, Librarian.

32. The Association adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by W. C. Payne.

Noon recess.

33. The Association re-convened at 1:00 P. M. C. J. Farthing conducted the song service and Lawrence Haganam conducted the devotional service; prayer by Victor Trivett.

34. C. J. Farthing announced that J. C. Pipes would be at Oak Grove Church the week of August 29, 1948.

35. The Moderator recognized the following visitors: O. W. Rhodenhiser and Richard K. Young, representing the Baptist Hospital of Winston - Salem; L. M. Cheek, Ashe Association; G. A. Hamby, Caldwell Association; Rev. and Mrs. E. S. Morgan representing N. C. Baptist Orphanage; H. M. Kindall, representing Mars Hill College; H. M. Winkler, Ashe Association.

36. The Clerk read the report on Benevolences. Richard K. Young, Chaplain of the Baptist Hospital at Winston - Salem, spoke on the work there. The discussion was continued by W. C. Payne, Victor Trivett, R. C. Eggers, H. M. Winkler and Bynum Trivett. Oscar Harris spoke concerning the Relief and Annuity Board plan for ministers. The report was adopted.

### REPORT ON BENEVOLENCES

Our benevolent institutions are the Orphanage, the Hospital and Old Ministers' Relief. In these great organizations we have many worthy people who are holding out their hands to us for succor and sustenance. Our hearts must prompt us always to give of our means to these worthy objects. We must assume these responsibilities with grace and care for them as did the Master while He was here on earth.

No Church can be truly Missionary and ignore the orphan, the sick, or the aged minister. The opportunity is ours — it is urgent and there comes a challenge with it that is inescapable.

To all the churches of the Three Forks Association, we, your committee, recommend that each give far more liberally to our benevolences than ever before. We urge that more jars be filled for the orphanage than formerly, due to the ever-rising cost of living.

A. E. MORETZ,

J. W. BYERS, Committee.

37. Mrs. Don Perry offered her report as Associational Librarian, which she discussed in detail. Mrs. Odes Wilson and S. C. Eggers continued the discussion. A collection amounting to \$18.00 was taken for this work. The report was adopted.

### REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL LIBRARIAN

On August 28, 1947, we had in our churches 6 libraries. Now we have 13. I have, during the year, visited 33 churches, traveling 870 miles in doing this, and have written 156 cards and letters. We have 1785 books in the 13 libraries and an average of 72 books are being checked out each Sunday.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. DON PERRY.

38. The Treasurer brought the following reports, which were adopted as read:

### TREASURER'S REPORT

#### RECEIPTS—

Balance on Hand 1947	-----	\$ 2.29
Minute Fund	-----	180.84



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Ward Family -----	3.25	\$186.38
<b>DISBURSEMENTS—</b>		
1000 Minutes -----	\$168.80	
Express on Minutes -----	6.18	
Postage -----	10.99	
Clerk -----	40.00	225.97
Overdraft -----		\$ 39.59

**Report on Special Fund for Associational Missionary**

<b>RECEIPTS—</b>		
Balance 1947 -----	\$ 64.60	
From the Churches -----	676.22	
From State Board -----	900.00	1640.82
<b>DISBURSEMENTS—</b>		
Salary Miss Davis -----	\$1612.81	\$1612.81
<b>BALANCE</b> -----		\$ 28.01

We are due Miss Davis \$173.06 on salary.

**Report on Associational Sunday School Fund**

<b>RECEIPTS—</b>		
Balance 1947 -----	\$46.10	\$46.10
<b>DISBURSEMENTS—</b>		
Paid to Miss Davis -----	\$37.62	\$37.62
<b>BALANCE</b> -----		\$ 8.48

39. R. H. Townsend offered the following report for the Finance Committee, which was adopted:

**REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Received for Minute Fund -----	\$183.81	
Paid to Treasurer -----		\$183.81

40. S. C. Eggers read the report from the Committee on Nominations. The report was adopted and is given in the Associational Directory.

41. The Clerk read the report of the Resolutions Committee, which was adopted without discussion.

**REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS**

We, your Resolutions Committee, offer the following:

1. Resolved that the present unrest throughout the world requires added concentration on the part of all Christians to the end that Christ's teachings may be forcefully brought to the attention of the people of the world.
2. Resolved that we urge those in attendance at this Session of the Association to renew their efforts to carry the Gospel to the corners of the earth.
3. Resolved that we here and now pledge ourselves to give more of our money, time and talent to the cause of Christ.
4. Resolved that we express to Laurel Springs Baptist Church and community our appreciation for the outstanding



way in which they have entertained this, the One Hundred Eighth Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association.

Respectfully submitted,  
R. B. HODGES,  
W. W. WILSON.

42. N. M. Greene offered the suggestion that at our 1949 Session we have a sermon each day. This suggestion was agreed to, along with the Report on Time, Place and Preacher, as follows:

### REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Time — Tuesday and Wednesday, after the Fourth Sunday in August, 1949.

PLACE — Forest Grove Baptist Church, First Day; Zionville Baptist Church, Second Day.

PREACHERS — Ronda Earp, First Day; Alternate, Bynum Trivett, C. O. Vance; Second Day: R. E. Hendrix, Alternate.

Respectfully submitted,  
LAWRENCE HAGAMAN,  
N. M. GREENE.

43. The Clerk read the minutes of the Session, which were adopted as read.

44. The Clerk was directed to prepare a manuscript of the minutes, have 1000 copies printed and distributed to the churches. He is allowed \$40.00 for this work.

46. The Executive Committee is directed to prepare a "Suggested Order of Business" for the 1949 Session.

46. W. C. Payne conducted the closing worship service. The One Hundred Eighth Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association adjourned after the congregation sang "God Be With You Till We Meet Again." R. C. Eggers offered the benediction.

R. C. EGGERS, V. Moderator,  
CLYDE R. GREENE, Clerk.

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## Obituaries

Dedicated to our members who have passed to the Great Beyond since our last Session.

ANTIOCH—

Mrs. Sallie Cook, Mrs. Sallie Billings, Mrs. Florence Ward.

BEECH VALLEY—

Mr. Carson Guy.

BETHANY—

Mr. Harry Michael, Deacon L. J. Michael.

BLOWING ROCK—

Mr. John Knight.

BOONE—

Mr. A. J. Ragan, Mrs. Susan Blackburn.

COVE CREEK—

Mr. O. J. Harmon, Mr. Robert Lewis, Mr. W. Hard Mast.

GAP CREEK—

Mr. Columbus Watson, Mr. Morris Miller.

HOWARD'S CREEK—

Mrs. Junie Greene.

LAUREL SPRINGS—

Mrs. Channie Greene.

MEAT CAMP—

Mr. Jonathan Norris.

OAK GROVE—

Mrs. Conley Brown, Mrs. I. W. Goss.

PLEASANT GROVE—

Mrs. Betty Wilson.

POPLAR GROVE—

Mr. Fred Greene, Mr. Allen Pitts.

PROFFIT GROVE—

Mrs. Nelia Proffit.

RICH MOUNTAIN—

Mrs. Laura Ragan.

STONY FORK—

Mrs. I. M. Carlton.

THREE FORKS—

Mrs. L. L. Critcher.

ZIONVILLE—

Mrs. Beulah Duncan, Noah A. Brown, Faye Smythe.

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**MINUTES OF THE  
WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION  
THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

The Thirty-Fifth Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Union of Three Forks Baptist Association, was held with Cove Creek Baptist Church, April 17, 1948.

After quiet meditation, during which Mrs. James B. Mast played soft music, Mrs. H. K. Middleton, Superintendent, called the meeting to order. The congregation sang the W. M. U Hymn of the year, "Jesus Shall Reign" and were led in repeating the watchwords together.

The worship period was led by Mrs. C. O. Vance and Mrs. Maxie Edmisten. Martha Qualls sang, "O' Master, Let Me Walk With Thee," and Rev. C. O. Vance led in prayer.

After a cordial welcome by Rev. H. K. Middleton, the following visitors were recognized: Miss Estelle Councilman, Missionary from Paraguay; Miss Hilda Mayo, State Young People's Leader; Mrs. E. B. Crisp, Lenoir; Mr. Smith Harmon, Mr. Millard Day, Rev. Oscar Harris, Rev. C. O. Vance and Rev. H. K. Middleton.

The superintendent appointed committees as follows:

Resolutions — Mrs. Fred Edmisten, Mrs. Lloyd Robbins, Mrs. B. F. Welborn.

Obituaries — Mrs. A. E. Moretz, Mrs. Joe Coffey, Mrs. Ralph Greene.

Time and Place — Mrs. Stanford Berry, Mrs. Maxie Edmisten.

Recommendations — Mrs. Robert Garvey, Mrs. John Ward, Mrs. Edna Holloway.

Nominations — Mrs. Herman Eggers, Mrs. Wade Clawson, Mrs. Oscar Harris, Mrs. Callis Austin, Mrs. C. J. Farthing.

To the roll call eleven societies answered: Beech Valley 5, Blowing Rock 9, Boone 9, Cove Creek 23, Laurel Springs 1, Meat Camp 9, Oak Grove 7, Poplar Grove 6, Stony Fork 5, Willowdale 3, Willow Valley 2.

The Treasurer made the following report:

Balance in Treasury April 12, 1947 .....	\$10.11
Received at Annual Meeting April 12, 1947 .....	13.52
Received at Associational Mission Study Class .....	12.99
Received for Associational Expense Fund .....	21.37
Total .....	\$57.99

Paid Out:

Miss Marjorie Spence, Missionary .....	\$10.00
Expenses for Associational Mission Study Class .....	15.00
Mrs. A. O. Joines, Divisional expenses .....	5.00
Mrs. H. K. Middleton, expenses .....	8.17
Total .....	\$38.17

Balance in Treasury April 17, 1948 .....

The superintendent, in her report, stressed the goals for

1948 — Prayer leagues, family worship, Bible reading, mission study, study of W. M. U. history, scriptural plan of giving and full graded unions.

The young people's leader, Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, emphasized what had been done by our young people during the past year as well as what was planned for this year and announced plans for an Associational young people's camp this summer, either at John's River Camp or Blowing Rock.

Miss Hilda Mayo outlined our work for this year in a beautiful and impressive way and urged us to serve Christ more earnestly during the coming year. She also announced plans for W. M. S., Y. W. A., R. A. and G. A. camps, Young Men's Mission Conference and a Home Mission Tour.

After singing, "Come, Women, Wide Proclaim," an offering was taken which amounted to \$14.10.

The superintendent recognized four persons present, Mrs. Robert Garvey, Mrs. D. F. Horton, Mrs. Hattie S. Lewis and Miss Maude Perry, who were charter members of Woman's Missionary Union when it was first organized in Three Forks Association in 1912.

Miss Hilda Mayo made a special announcement about the American Bible Society and gave literature to each society represented.

Mrs. Oscar Harris, Mrs. Kent Brown and Miss Norma Banner very beautifully sang, "Savior, Thy Dying Love."

In her morning message "Serving the Lord Christ in Paraguay," Miss Estelle Councilman spoke of the people, their customs, their desire for the gospel and exhibited some handiwork.

Rev. C. O. Vance, in the closing message of the morning, emphasized the opportunity women have of serving Christ through witnessing at home as well as around the world.

Miss Estelle Councilman led in the closing prayer.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened by singing "The Kingdom is Coming." Mary Sue Walsh read the scripture and Mrs. W. G. Bond led in prayer.

Miss Councilman told more about Paraguay — the medical and evangelistic work, the Baptist Book Store and Seminary. "Serving the Lord Christ in Organizational Activities," was discussed by various chairmen.

Mission Study — Miss Juanita Davis.

Stewardship — Mrs. Ethel Hodges.

Community Missions — Mrs. S. F. Horton.

Literature and Library — Mrs. Ralph Greene.

Training School and Margaret Fund — Mrs. W. G. Bond.

Miss Mayo explained the proper way to fill out the quarterly report blanks.

The report on Obituaries was adopted as read.

#### IN MEMORIAM

The following have submitted to the call of the Father during the past year:

Boone — Mrs. Susan Blackburn, Mrs. Sallie Payne.

Cove Creek — Mrs. Lillie Henson, Mrs. Nora Baird Mast.  
To the bereaved families we give our sincere sympathy.

Respectfully submitted,  
MRS. A. E. MORETZ,  
MRS. RALPH GREENE,  
MRS. JOE COFFEY.

Mrs. James B. Mast played softly, "Rock of Ages," and Mrs. D. F. Horton led in prayer while the congregation bowed in silent meditation.

The report on Resolutions was adopted as read by Mrs. Fred Edmisten.

### RESOLUTIONS

We, the members of Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Association, who have met in this, our Thirty-Fifth Annual Session, thank our Heavenly Father for the Christian fellowship here today. Let us go more enthusiastically into the privileges of Bible study, prayer and community missions. May we determine to be "Laborers Together With God," in every way to bring His kingdom in.

Therefore be it resolved:

1. That we express with love and gratitude to the women of Cove Creek church, appreciation for the hospitality shown us through the meeting.

2. That we express our thanks to the officers for their splendid service during the past year and pledge our continued prayers and cooperation.

3. That we pray earnestly during these trying times that God will guide us and that His will may be done.

4. That we extend our best wishes to our visitors and invite them to meet with us again.

Respectfully submitted,  
MRS. FRED EDMISTEN,  
MRS. LOYD ROBBINS,  
MRS. B. F. WELBORN.

The report on Recommendations was adopted as read by Mrs. Robert Garvey.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

Recognizing that the call and commission of Christ is directed to every individual Christian, and claiming the promise of His presence and power, we adopt the following recommendations for the plan of work for 1948.

1. That we covenant anew to encourage and observe all seasons of prayer.

2. That the Year Book, published by W. M. U., be the guide for plans and methods.

3. That all reports be sent in on time.

4. That effort be made for all W. M. S. members to attend camp at Fruitland or Seaside.

5. That each society study a minimum of two mission study texts during the year.

6. That Missionary reading be promoted in all organizations.

7. That special emphasis be paid to all W. M. U. periodicals — Royal Service, Windows of Y. W. A., World Comrades



and Ambassador Life and that we strive to increase their circulation and use.

8. That a Stewardship book be used for devotional or study in all Circles.

9. That we enlist new tithers.

10. That we give special emphasis to all special offerings.

11. That we endeavor to enlist every member in Community Missions activities.

12. That each missionary society give special attention to developing the work among the young people through the graded septure of missionary education as outlined in the Year Book.

13. That we stress the importance of our boys and girls attending camp.

14. That we suggest all scholarships for Margaret Fund and Training School.

15. That we urge continued support of our Baptist hospital and orphanage.

Respectfully submitted,  
 MRS. ROBERT GARVEY,  
 MRS. JOHN WARD,  
 MRS. EDNA HOLLOWAY.

The report on Time and Place was adopted as read by Mrs. Stanford Berry.

Place — Oak Grove Baptist church.

Time — To be decided later.

The report on Nominations was adopted as read by Mrs. Herman Eggers.

Superintendent .....	Mrs. A. E. Moretz
Ass't. Superintendent .....	Mrs. L. M. Hodges
Secretary & Treasurer .....	Mrs. Don C. Perry
Young People's Leader ..	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson
R. A. Counselor ..	John Ward
Mission Study Chairman ..	Mrs. Verne Greene
Community Mission Chairman ..	Mrs. S. F. Horton
Margaret Fund and W. M. Training School Chmn.,	Mrs. Oscar Harris.

Stewardship Chairman .. Mrs. Ethel Hodges

Library and Literature Chairman ---- Mrs. Ralph Greene

Nominating Committee to serve in 1949 — Mrs. Gordon Winkler, Chairman; Mrs. Claude Edmisten, Mrs. Robert Garvey, Mrs. Frank Brown, Mrs. Stanford Berry.

The installation of new officers was led by Mrs. H. K. Middleton, retiring superintendent, after which Rev. H. K. Middleton led in the dedication and closing prayer.

MRS. H. K. MIDDLETON, Superintendent.

MRS. DON C. BERRY, Secretary.

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPRING SESSION OF THE  
 THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

1. The Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina, met in special session with Stony Fork Baptist church, Stony Fork, N. C., Tuesday, May 4, 1948, at 10:00 A. M.

2. Verne Greene conducted the opening song service and the Moderator called the special session to order.

3. John Hagaman conducted the opening devotional service.

4. R. C. Eggers, Chairman of the Executive Committee presented the program for the special session which was adopted upon motion of W. G. Bond.

5. The Moderator called for visitors to stand. W. D. Ashley responded.

6. The Clerk called the roll of churches which revealed that twenty-five were represented.

7. The work of the Sunday school was discussed by C. O. Vance, who urged that our Sunday schools make use of the following four things which will greatly enlarge their attendance: 1. Organize; 2. Utilize; 3. Socialize; 4. Spiritualize.

8. C. J. Farthing called our attention to the Vacation Bible school, outlining a plan whereby our churches may conduct their own schools.

9. The Moderator summarized the Sunday School discussion and added the suggestion that we offer our services to our own churches in Sunday school work.

10. Juanita Davis, Associational Missionary, continued the discussion on Vacation Bible schools.

11. The Moderator presented to the Association a gavel made of Black Walnut. He called the Vice-Moderator, R. C. Eggers, to the Chair for the balance of the special session.

12. W. J. Farthing presented the next speaker, Harvey T. Gibson, State B. T. U. Director.

13. Bro. Gibson discussed the program of the B. T. U., in North Carolina. W. G. Bond continued the discussion. Boone, Cove Creek, Oak Grove and Willowdale indicated that they wanted a B. T. U. worker during the summer.

14. The special session adjourned for the noon recess. Benediction by W. G. Bond.

#### NOON RECESS

15. After enjoying a bountiful meal, the special session reconvened at 1:15 P. M. Ben Wood conducted the devotional service.

16. The Vice-Moderator recognized the people present above the age of fifty.

17. C. O. Vance spoke briefly on the importance of the work of the Associational Missionary.

18. Mrs. Don Perry spoke on Church Libraries, bringing the information that 13 of our churches have libraries.

19. Mrs. Nora Wilson introduced Edwin Dozier, who has been a missionary to Japan and who is planning to return in the near future. He brought a message on present conditions and opportunities in Japan.

20. The Association expressed thanks to the Stony Fork church and community for the splendid manner in which they have entertained the special session.

21. W. G. Bond presented Bro. Woodall, pastor of South Lenoir Baptist church, Lenoir, N. C. Bro. Woodall brought a challenging message on "Personal Evangelism."

22. The special session adjourned, benediction by H. K. Middleton.

H. K. MIDDLETON, Moderator.  
CLYDE R. GREENE, Clerk.

# STATISTICAL TABLES

TABLE 1. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location OC-V-T-C	Year Organized	Dates of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letter & Other Additions	Loss by Death	Total Losses	Grand Total	Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Titlers	State Paper in Budget	Church Library
Antioch	OC 1849	1	R. C. Cook, Lenoir	2	3	5	200	1	No	No				No
Beaver Dam	OC 1874	3	R. C. Cook, Lenoir	10	1	2	215	1	No	No				No
Beech Valley	V 1941	2	Jamds Allen, Rominger	10	1	1	76	1	Yes	Yes				Yes
Bethany	OC 1898	2	Lawrence Hagaman, Beech Creek	7	2	3	156	1	No	Yes				Yes
Bethel	OC 1851	2	Wiley Smith, Boone	19	7	10	271	1	No	Yes				Yes
Blowing Rock	T 1903	All	Oscar J. Harris, Blowing Rock	16	12	1	3	181	38	No	Yes			Yes
Boone	T 1870	All	W. G. Bond, Boone	16	67	2	49	819	2170	Yes	Yes			Yes
Brookside	OC 1938						30		No	No				No
Brushy Fork	OC 1858	2	W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock	3	2	7	154	1	No	No				No
Clarks Creek	OC 1898	1	N. M. Greene, Boone				68		No	No				No
Cool Springs	OC 1888	3	H. Shore, Blowing Rock				123		No	No				No
Cove Creek	V 1799	All	H. K. Middleton, Sherwood	7	3	5	202	1	36	Yes	Yes			Yes
Elk Knob	OC 1890	1	Noah Johnson, Todd				86		No	No				No
Forest Grove	OC 1889	1	Lawrence Hagaman, Beech Creek	2			152		1	No	Yes			Yes
Gap Creek	OC 1887	4	Raymond Hendrix, Boone	8			133		1	No	Yes			Yes
Green Valley	OC 1946	1	ynum Trivett, Sugar Grove	11	4	1	71	1	1	No	Yes			Yes
Howards Creek	OC 1882	4	V. C. Payne, Blowing Rock	10	1	11	152	2	No	No				No
Laurel Springs	OC 1873	2	R. C. Eggers, Zionville	10	1	7	271	1	No	Yes				Yes







Meat Camp	5	15	9	18	24	22	28	121	81	78	65
Middle Fork	8	6	7	16	13	33	44	127	62		
Mountain Dale		15	11	10	13	15	20	84	70		
Mount Calvary	5	8	13	10	7	25	50	8	126	67	
Mount Gilead		8		10	10	16	27	61	40		
Mount Lebanon								105	90		
Oak Grove	12	12	16	21	27	42	56	186	110	77	61
Perkinsville		6	8	18	10	11	23	2	90	54	30
Pleasant Grove	10	11	21	35	68	48	35	370	140		23
Poplar Grove		18	12	14	25	11	40	1	120	79	25
Proffit Grove		20	10	15	25	25	35	130	75	35	31
Rich Mountain		8		10	10	12	14	44	35		
Rutherford	5	14	15	15	14	30	52	2	132	74	32
Shulls Mills								56	31		
South Fork		11	11	11	13	17	25	77	57		
Stony Fork		18	15	20	18	40	55	30	196	154	
Tabernacle		1	2	5	8	5	14	35	20	24	18
Three Forks		24	10	18	12	20	49	2	135	90	
Timbered Ridge			5	8	20	15	25	5	78	50	
Union		15	15	20	20	20	80	170	130		
White Rock	6	8	7	10	10	10	15	56	40		
Willowdale		10	11	23	19	11	54	128	71	72	60
Willow Valley		5	8	14	20	45	20	92	40		
Zion Hill			15	15	15	35	25	90	73		
Zionville		20	20	20	40	40	70	190	139		
TOTAL	162	88	440	442	651	661	960	3,400	3,132	786	627





TABLE IV. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S AND ADDRESSES																
			W. M. S. Units	Y. W. A. Units	G. A. Units	R. A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W. M. S. Enrolled	Y W A Enrolled	G. A. Enrolled	R. A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Enrolled in Mis. St'dy	Total Tithers All Or.	
Beech Creek	Mrs. Carrie Harmon,	Beech Creek	1					1	4	20					20		
Blowing Rock	Mrs. R. R. Garvey,	Blowing Rock	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	30		6	10	12	58	10	13
Boone	Mrs. W. F. Miller,	Boone	1	1	2	1	1	1	6	98	10	29	15	20	172	78	69
Cove Creek	Mrs. S. F. Horton,	Sugar Grove	1		2	2	1	6	45		21	15	15		96	47	36
Laurel Springs	Mrs. W. H. Stansberry,	Laxon	1					1	10	18				10	10		
Meat Camp	Mrs. Emnis Byers,	Zionville	1					1	1	18				18	18		4
Mount Calvary	Mrs. Parker Coffey,	Banner Elk	1					1	1	8				8			
Oak Grove	Mrs. C. J. Farthing,	Boone	1	1	1	1	1	5	19	8	14	16	10	67	14	9	
Poplar Grove	Mrs. Tom Holloway,	Shulls Mills	2					2	20					20			
Stony Fork	Mrs. R. L. Wagner,	Deep Gap	1		1			1	3	9	15		6	30			
White Rock													19	19	19	9	2
Willowdale	Mrs. Claude Edmisten,	Vilas	1					1	1	15				15			
TOTAL			12	2	7	5	6	32	292	1885	56	82	533	196	142		



Oak Grove	1314.85	211.72	40.00	75.00	249.73	71.05	788.00	170.67	129.89	3741.91	
Perkinsville	275.47	228.26	35.30	70.00	150.00	124.65	3190.39			4074.07	
Pleasant Grove	386.91	352.92		72.53	400.00	175.85	94.00		110.07	1897.21	
Poplar Grove	425.22	38.61	15.00	64.00	99.00	69.56	189.52	19.60	34.49	945.01	
Proffit Grove	191.50	524.95		53.00		56.79		36.00	150.00	1074.76	
Rich Mountain	270.22	20.00				35.00				355.22	
Rutherford	298.40	119.72		45.34		69.07	378.72	8.80	12.74	1031.92	
Shulls Mills	125.50	13.50				38.63	832.57		19.75	1038.95	
South Fork	453.43	53.00		70.70		127.27				704.40	
Stony Fork	615.35	1006.59	29.00	217.59		93.41				2231.73	
Tabernacle	130.87					16.09	62.00		6.85	244.81	
Three Forks	193.75	69.00				146.03	13,949.50		11.56	14,479.55	
Timbered Ridge		36.65				77.21		6.13	30.00	310.39	
Union		223.00	100.00	116.00		36.00				81.56	
White Rock	674.70		144.55			75.00			9.35	995.98	
Willowdale	287.94			84.00		29.39	511.75			6418.85	
Willow Valley	1018.00	173.50		53.50		85.85	5000.00	38.00		632.82	
Zion Hill	219.00	118.50		60.00		104.02				4775.63	
Zionville	160.00	35.00		80.00		50.00	4000.00			966.26	
Zionville	365.94	68.97	100.00	80.00		93.55		257.80			
TOTAL	22,665.59	14,424.54	2632.49	2872.95	2357.30	4053.63	3244.76	37,485.05	1278.33	4543.04	95,454.27

CHURCHES, TREASURERS & ADDRESSES — Ant'och — G. A. Edmisten, Sugar Grove; Beaver Dam — Lee Swift, Reese; Beech Creek — Stacy Ward, Beech Creek; Bethany — Victor Farthing, Rominger; Bethel — Edmund Farthing, Sugar Grove; Blowing Rock — D. P. Coffey, Blowing Rock; Boone — James B. Farthing, Boone; Brookside — Brushy Fork — Charlie Moody, Vilas; Clarks Creek — Robert Greene, Banner Elk; Cool Springs — Milton Payne, Boone; Cove Creek — Odes Wilson, Zionville; Elk Creek — Sam S. South, Tamarack; Forest Grove — Mrs. Bulah Hagaman, Vilas; Gap Creek — Mrs. Clyde Moretz, Deep Gap; Green Valley — Elfa Smitherman, Reese; Howards Creek — L. F. Cottrell, Boone; Laurel Springs — Clifford Ray, Deep Gap; Mabel — M. L. Warren, Mabel; Meat Camp — W. H. Greene, Boone; Middle Fork — L. P. Hodges, Blowing Rock; Mountain Dale — Collis Greene, Reese; Mount Calvary — Jim Shoemaker, Banner Elk; Mount Gilead — B. E. Younce, Heaton; Mount Lebanon — Carrie Hayes, Vilas; Oak Grove — Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams; Perkinsville — W. Hoy Greene, Boone; Pleasant Grove — Everette Culler, Zionville; Poplar Grove — T. M. Shore, Boone; Proffit Grove — W. A. Proffit, Zionville; Rich Mountain — Mrs. Edith Cornell, Zionville; Rutherford — Green R. Carroll, Boone; Shulls Mills — Mrs. J. E. Harbin, Shulls Mills; South Fork — W. G. Cook, Todd; Stony Fork — Howard Taylor, Deep Gap; Tabernacle — Lloyd Stansberry, Boone; Three Forks — James Austin, Boone; Timbered Ridge — W. C. McGuire, Reese; Union — Stanley Norris, Mabel; White Rock — Mrs. H. H. Shook, Banner Elk; Willowdale — Fred Blair, Vilas; Willow Valley — Mrs. Vannie Greene, Sugar Grove; Zion ill — Stacy Moody, Beech Creek, N. C.; Zionville — Fred Castle, Zionville.



Perkinsville	20.00				13.35	34.00	67.35	4141.42
Pleasant Grove	10.00	52.00	8.00		323.75	10.00	493.75	2300.95
Poplar Grove	16.95		27.05	8.00	157.26	13.01	260.67	1225.27
Profit Grove	7.12		10.00		60.35	11.53	89.00	1163.76
Rich Mountain								358.22
Rutherford	6.30		5.65		71.76	18.62	142.14	1174.06
Shulls Mills	2.21				30.00	13.00	45.21	1083.96
South Fork	120.00				42.50	11.40	173.90	787.30
Stony Fork	125.26				337.31	17.56	492.90	2724.63
Tabernacle	31.71				61.60	17.54	128.85	373.66
Three Forks					141.20	18.06	159.25	14,638.81
Timbered Ridge			6.13			5.56	18.64	329.03
Union	6.95				145.00	55.00	302.00	1623.26
White Rock	10.00		8.00	8.00	32.00	26.00	84.00	1079.98
Willowdale	72.00	36.00			160.00	32.00	580.00	6998.85
Willow Valley	50.00				89.00	18.34	157.34	790.16
Zion Hill					53.78	17.35	71.13	4846.76
Zionville			22.00	23.80	445.93	21.00	512.73	1478.99
TOTAL	4121.16	588.00	234.31	322.55	669.88	359.00	825.44	12,618.03
					813.81			108,072.30

CHURCHES, CLERKS AND ADDRESSES: Antioch — Dwight Cable, Sugar Grove; Beaver Dam — C. B. Reese, Trade, Tenn.; Beech Valley — Stacy Ward, Beech Creek; Bethany — M. P. Ward, Balm; Bethel — Howard Lawrence, Sugar Grove; Blowing Rock — M. S. L. A. Hollars, Blowing Rock; Boone — H. W. Wilcox, Boone; Brookside — Eunice Greer, Yadkin Valley; Brushy Fork — Minnie Dare Greene, Vilas; Clarkss Creek — Robert Greene, Banner Elk; Cool Springs — W. W. Austin, Shulls Mills; Cove Creek — Hattie S. Lewis, Sherwood; Elk Knob — W. C. Soutje, Tamarack; Forest Grove — Chas. Johnson, Reese; Gap Creek — Russell Wellborn, Deep Gap; Green Valley — Albert Ward, Reese; Howards Creek — L. F. Cottrell, Boone; Laurel Springs — Joe L. Coffey, Laxn; Mabel — Mrs. Helen Williams, Mabel; Meat Camp — M. C. Brown, Boone; Middle Fork — L. P. Hodges, Blowing Rock; Mountain Dale — Clay Phillips, Reese; Mount Calvary — Jack Hodges, Banner Elk; Mount Gillead — B. E. Younce, Heaton; Mount Lebanon — Clarence Early, Vilas; Oak Grove — Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams; Perkinsville — Woodrow Greene, Boone; Pleasant Grove — Don H. Perry, Zionville; Poplar Grove — Mrs. Max Austin, Boone; Profit Grove — L. E. Wilson, Zionville; Rich Mountain — Mrs. Edith Cornell, Zionville; Rutherford — Mrs. B. D. Clawson, Boone; Shulls Mills — Fred Hatley, Shulls Mills; South Fork — Eugene Seatz, Todd; South Fork — John Wellborn, Stony Fork; Tabernacle — Fred N. Brown, Boone; Three Forks — Walter Edmisten, Boone; Timbered Ridge — Wade L. Greene, Reese; Union — Ivan Younce, Mabel; White Rock — Mrs. H. H. Shook, Banner Elk; Willowdale — Mrs. Clara Mast, Vilas; Willow Valley — George W. Harmon, Sugar Grove; Zion Hill — Henry Hagaman, Vale Crucis; Zionville — W. R. Holman, Zionville.









# Three Forks Baptist Association

North Carolina

ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH SESSION  
HELD WITH  
FOREST GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH  
AUGUST 30, 1949  
AND  
ZIONVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH  
AUGUST 31, 1949

THE ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH SESSION TO BE HELD WITH  
PERKINSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH, BOONE, N. C.  
AUGUST 29, 1950 AND  
THREE FORKS BAPTIST CHURCH, BOONE, N. C.  
AUGUST 30, 1950

Raymond Hendrix to preach the Annual Sermon on the first  
day of Session; W. J. Cook, Alternate  
Bynum Trivette to preach on second day;  
David Greene, Alternate.



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## SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR 1950 SESSION PERKINSVILLE

**Tuesday, August 29, 1950**

- 9:00— 9:20— Opening Worship  
 9:20— 9:40— Address of Moderator  
 9:40—10:10— Report on Public Morals  
 10:10—10:40— Report of Executive Committee  
 10:40—11:10— Report on Religious Literature  
 11:10—11:25— Roll Call of Messengers and Miscellaneous  
 11:25—12:15— Annual Sermon — Raymond Hendrix

### Noon Recess

- 1:00— 1:15— Devotional  
 1:15— 1:45— Woman's Work  
 1:45— 3:15— Report on Missions (Associational, State, Home  
 and Foreign)  
 3:15— 3:30— Closing Worship

### THREE FORKS

**Wednesday, August 30, 1950**

- 9:00— 9:15— Opening Worship  
 9:15— 9:45— Report on Associational Progress  
 9:45—11:15— Christian Education (Sunday Schools, B. T. U.  
 and Colleges)  
 11:15—11:30— Election of Officers and Miscellaneous  
 11:30—12:15— Sermon — Bynum Trivett

### Noon Recess

- 1:15— 1:30— Devotional  
 1:30— 2:45— Report on Benevolences (Orphanage, Hospital and  
 Old Ministers' Relief)  
 2:45— 3:15— Report of Treasurer, Finance Committee. Nom-  
 inations, Resolutions and Time, Place & Preacher  
 3:15— 3:35— Memorial Service.  
 3:35— 4:00— Miscellaneous, Reading of Minutes and Closing  
 Worship

### ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY

R. C. Eggers, Moderator	Zionville
Wade E. Brown, Vice-Moderator	Boone
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treas.	Boone
W. J. Farthing, Historian	Valle Crucis
C. J. Farthing, Song Leader	Boone
C. O. Vance, Hospital Director	Vilas
Russell D. Hodges, Orphanage Director	Boone
W. J. Farthing, B. T. U. Director	Valle Crucis
C. J. Farthing, Sunday School Director	Boone
R. C. Eggers, Coleporteur	Zionville
Mrs. Don Perry, Librarian	Sherwood

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Wade E. Brown, Chairman	Boone
S. C. Eggers	Boone



Dallas Wilson .....	Reese
Ivey Wilson .....	Zionville
Ralph Beshears .....	Boone
R. C. Eggers .....	Zionville
Clyde R. Greene .....	Boone

**COMMITTEES TO REPORT AT 1950 SESSION**

- Associational Progress --- Clyde R. Greene and Ronda Earp
- Benevolences -- --- Bynum Trivett and Lawernee Hagaman
- Christian Education ----- C. O. Vance and Ben Wood
- Memorial Service ----- Doughton Greene and Fred Hagaman
- Missions -- ----- W. G. Bond and Dallas Wilson
- Public Morals ----- Oscar J. Harris and Kent Brown
- Religious Literature --- Harold Songer, W. F. Smith and Mrs. Don Perry
- Resolutions — N. M. Greene and A. E. Moretz
- Woman's Work — Mrs. Nora M. Wilson and Mrs. Ralph Greene

**BAPTIST TRAINING UNION ORGANIZATION**

- Director ----- W J. Farthing, Valle Crucis
- Associate Director ----- I. B. Wilson, Zionville
- Secretary - Treas. ----- Carrie Lee Farthing, Boone
- Choister ----- Wm. Hodges, Boone
- Pianist -- --- Bettie Jean Farthing, Boone
- Pastor - Advisor ----- W. G. Bond, Boone
- Adult Leader -- --- C. J. Farthing, Boone
- Young Peoples Leader ----- Tom Lawrence, Sugar Grove
- Intermediate Leader ----- Mrs. Maxie Edmisten, Vilas
- Junior Leader ----- Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville
- Story Hour Leader ----- Mrs. C. O. Vance, Vilas
- Group Directors: J. M. Burkett, Mabel; Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone; Vance Culler, Adams; Grady Wilson, Boone.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZATION**

- Superintendent ----- C. J. Farthing, Boone
- Associate Superintendent ----- W. J. Farthing, Valle Crucis
- Associate Superintendent ----- Kent K. Brown, Blowing Rock
- Associate Superintendent ----- C. O. Vance, Vilas
- Associate Superintendent --- Mrs. Dortha Greene, Sugar Grove
- Secretary-Treas. ----- Clyde R. Greene, Boone
- Pianist ----- Bettie Jean Farthing, Boone
- Choister ----- Wm. Hodges, Boone
- Group Superintendents: Paul Winkler, Boone; Grady Wilson, Boone; Edgar Edmisten, Sugar Grove and I. B. Wilson Zionville.
- Cradle Roll Superintendent ----- Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams
- Beginners' Superintendent ----- Mrs. W. G. Bond, Boone
- Primary Superintendent ----- Mrs. Maxie Edmisten, Vilas
- Junior Superintendent ----- Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville
- Young Peoples' Superintendent ----- Marjorie Toole, Boone
- Adult Superintendent ----- Ralph Beshears, Boone

**WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION ORGANIZATION**

Superintendent	Mrs. A. E. Moretz, Boone
Assistant Superintendent	Mrs. Ralph Greene
Secretary - Treas.	Mrs. Don C. Perry, Sherwood
Literature Chairman	Mrs. Ralph Greene, Boone
Mission Study Chairman	Mrs. Verne Greene, Boone
Community Mission Chairman	Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone
Stewardship Chairman	Mrs. Fred Edmisten
W. M. U. Training School and Margaret fund	
Chairman	Mrs. Oscar Harris, Blowing Rock
Young Peoples' Leader	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville
R. A. Counselor	John Ward

**ORDAINED MINISTERS**

Church	Name	Address
Bethany	James Allen	Rominger
	J. T. McGuire	Altapass
Bethel	E. J. Farthing	Sugar Grove
Blowing Rock	Oscar J. Harris	Blowing Rock
	J. M. Hodges	Blowing Rock
Boone	W. G. Bond	Boone
	D. M. Edmisten	Boone
	H. E. Nash	Concord
	W. F. Smith	Boone
Brushy Fork	Ronda Earp	Vilas
Cool Springs	W. C. Payne	Blowing Rock
	Howard Shore	Boone
Cove Creek	Harold Songer	Sherwood
Forest Grove	Fred Hagaman	Vilas
	Dave Greene	Vilas
Laurel Springs	J. L. Greene	Purlear
	W. C. Greene	Laxon
Meat Camp	N. M. Greene	Boone
	A. E. Moretz	Boone
Middle Fork	R. H. Shore	Blowing Rock
	James Matney	Blowing Rock
Mount Calvary	Roby Painter	Balm
	Ira Hodges	Banner Elk
Mount Gilead	Albert Tester	
Mount Lebanon	T. T. Danner	Valle Crucis
Perkinsville	Tipton Greene	Boone
Pleasant Grove	John Hagaman	Zionville
Poplar Grove	Clayton Greene	Shulls Mills
Rutherfordwood	A. B. Church	Boone
Stony Fork	Bynum Trivett	Stony Fork
	H. H. Smith	Deep Gap
Three Forks	R. E. Hendrix	Boone
	Ben Wood	Boone
	Robert Honeycutt, Jr.	
Willowdale	C. O. Vance	Vilas
Zion Hill	Lawrence Hagaman	Beech Creek
Zionville	R. C. Eggers	Zionville
	D. C. Trivett	Zionville
	Victor Trivett	Trade, Tenn.

**LICENTIATES**

Cove Creek — Cecil Glenn .....	Sugar Grove
Bethany — Robert Allen .....	Rominger
A. T. Watson .....	Rominger
Gold Hicks .....	Rominger
South Fork — Page Norris .....	Todd
Union — Barnie Oliver .....	Mabel

**MESSENGERS**

- ANTIOCH — Victor Tester, L. W. Ward and Howard Cable  
 BEAVER DAM — Lee Swift, Clyde Robinson and Clay Robinson  
 BEECH VALLEY — Spencer Phillips, O. H. Trivett and Stacy Ward  
 BETHANY — Victor Farthing, Herbert Yates and Mary Joe Greer  
 BETHEL — Mrs. W. W. Wilson, W. W. Wilson and Bert Farthing  
 BLOWING ROCK — J. H. Winkler, Mrs. R. R. Garvey and K. K. Brown.  
 BOONE — Clyde R. Greene, H. W. Wilcox and Ralph Greene.  
 BRUSHY FORK — A. C. Moody, Clyde Love and Grady Greene  
 CLARKS CREEK — Ivan Reese, Robert Greene and Truett Coffey  
 COOL SPRINGS — Q. B. Cannon, Mrs. E. E. Carlton and Mrs. W. C. Payne  
 Cove Creek —  
 Elk Knob — W. C. South, Grady Potter and Lloyd Miller  
 Forest Grove — Hill Eggers, Chas. Johnson and W. E. Roark  
 FRIENDSHIP — Chase Main, Ralph May and Glenn South  
 GAP CREEK — Grady Wtason, R. D. Wellborn and Thomas Fairchild  
 GREEN VALLEY — Howard Harmon, Joe Farthing and Fonza Tester  
 HOWARDS CREEK — Donald Miller, J. E. Norris and L. F. Cottrell  
 LAUREL SPRINGS — Joe L. Coffey, D. L. Stansberry and Orville Hampton  
 MABEL — Kenneth Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Townsend  
 MEAT CAMP — Robert Profitt, Elmo Moretz and Earl Greene  
 MIDDLE — FORK — Will Hayes, John Ward and Blum Triplett  
 MOUNTAIN DALE — Chas. Phillips, Chas. Cornett and Burlie Cornett  
 MT. CALVARY — Richard Smith, Mrs. Homer Shoemaker and Will Puckett  
 MT. GILEAD — G. M. Lawrence, Ted Reese and Dallas Bunton  
 MT. LEBANON — Luther Earp, Lewis Moore and I. N. Minton  
 OAK GROVE — L. M. Hodges, J. W. Norris and C. J. Farthing  
 PERKINSVILLE — Mrs. Jack Edmisten, Mrs Ralph Hartley and Mrs. Jud Barnes.

- PLEASANT GROVE — Don H. Perry, Clint Eggers and L. B. Wilson
- POPLAR GROVE — Mrs. Henry Austin, T. C. Hodges and M. W. Day
- PROFFIT GROVE — Kenneth Proffit, Glenn Proffit and Chas. Proffit
- RICH MOUNTAIN — Jim McNeill, Frank Culler and Forace Moretz
- RUTHERWOOD — Mrs. Ella Parlier, Annie Ragan and Fred C. Norris
- SHULLS MILLS — Mrs. Rebecca Teague, Ernest White and J. M. Day
- SOUTH FORK — Page Norris, Ed Jones and E. E. Seatz
- STONY FORK — Joe J. Wellborn, Jay Jordan and Isaac Smith
- TABERNACLE — Milton Moretz, Russell Greene and Coy Norris
- THREE FORKS — J. C. Brookshire, James Austin and Howard Brookshire
- TIMBERED RIDGE — A. E. Trivett, Grady Smitherman and Grady McGuire
- UNION — Dewey Swift, Arent Greer and Max Hagaman
- WILLOWDALE — Fred Blair, Tom Lawrence and Mrs. Fred Edmisten
- WHITE ROCK — Hade Smith, Hoyle Shook and Mildred Smith
- WILLOW VALLEY — Oscar Ward, Dillard Greene and Ivalee Harmon
- ZION HILL — Gradon Hagaman, Stacey Moody and Albert Harmon
- ZIONVILLE — W. B. Reece, W. R. Holman and Roy Martin



## Constitution

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who, on producing letters from their respective church certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, the ministers being *ex-officio*.

2. In the letters from the different churches is to be expressed their numbers in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed by letter, excommunicated and dead since last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any special power over the churches. They shall not infringe upon any internal right of any church in this Union.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and clerk who shall be chosen annually by the suffrage of the members present.

5. New churches or any regular church of Christ being legally dismissed by letter by any sister Association, upon application and delegates, shall be admitted to our Union.

6. Every church in the Association shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

7. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be once read and before it is debated the Moderator shall put it to a vote, and if there is a majority for it being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and be debated, but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of their proceedings. The best method of accomplishing this purpose shall be at the direction of the future Associations.

10. We think it is absolutely necessary that we should have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For the raising and supporting of which we think it to be the duty of each church in the Union to contribute annually such sums as they may think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association. The money thus raised shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer, appointed by the Association, who shall be accountable for the same. He shall pay the money out from time to time as the Association may direct.

11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for his services.

12. The minute of this Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and the Clerk before the Association rises.

13. Amendments to the plans or form of government may



be made at any time by a majority of the Association when they deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months prior notice.

14. The Association shall have power:

To provide for the general union of the churches.

To endeavor to preserve a chain of union amongst the churches.

To give the churches the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

To appropriate the money contributed by the churches for an Associational fund to any purpose they may think proper.

To have power to withdraw from any church in their Union who shall violate the rules of this Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

To correspond with sister Associations.

To invite any Baptist in the ministry to a seat in the Association, who may be present at the time of their sitting.

To adjourn the Association to any future time and place they may think proper and most convenient to the churches of the Union.

## Rules of Decorum

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

3. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect upon the person who spoke before him as to make remarks on his steps, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state the matter as he can do so as to give his views or ideas.

4. No person shall abruptly break or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

5. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on any one subject without liberty from the Association.

6. No member shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same or whispering in the time of public speaking.

7. No member shall address another in any other appellation than that of brother.

8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

9. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as required by the Association.

10. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any of the other members, provided the chair be filled. He shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

**Proceedings Of The  
One Hundred Ninth Annual Session Of The  
THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION  
Of North Carolina  
HELD WITH FOREST GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH  
VILAS, N. C.  
TUESDAY, AUG. 30, 1949  
AND WITH ZIONVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH,  
ZIONVILLE, N. C.  
WEDNESDAY, AUG. 31, 1949  
FIRST DAY — TUESDAY, AUG. 30, 1949  
MORNING SESSION**

1. The One Hundred Ninth Annual Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina met with Forest Grove Baptist Church, Vilas, N. C., at 9:10 A. M.

2. The opening song service was conducted by Tipton Greene, after which C. H. Kincaid led the devotional service by reading from the 28th chapter of the Gospel according to Matthew and leading in prayer.

3. The Moderator, R. C. Eggers, called the One Hundred Ninth Annual Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association to order for the transaction of business.

4. The Clerk called the roll of the churches and announced that 23 churches had responded and that all church letters had been received except four.

5. R. C. Eggers delivered the Moderator's Address from the theme of the present session, "Fear not, stand still, and see the salvation of the Lord." He described the four groups in the congregation of Israel at the crossing of the Red Sea as follows:

1. Those who would drown themselves in the face of danger.
2. Those who would return to Egypt.
3. Those who wanted to fight.
4. Those who would shout at the Egyptians and thus stop them.

5. Moses said, "Fear not, stand still and see the Salvation of the Lord."

6. The report of the Executive Committee on Order of Business for the present session was presented by Clyde R. Greene and was adopted.

7. R. E. Hendrix brought the report from the Committee on Temperance. After being discussed by R. E. Hendrix, Victor Trivette, C. J. Farthing, S. C. Eggers and Clyde R. Greene it was adopted. It was called to the attention of the session that Forsyth and Stokes county were voting on liquor stores today. Victor Trivett led a prayer for the success of the dry forces in both counties.

### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

In Luke 21:34-35 our Saviour, in most solemn language, says, "Take heed to yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the care of this life and that day come upon you suddenly like a snare; for it will come upon all who dwell upon the face of the whole earth. But watch at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Gal. 3:27, "For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. To put on Christ is to be clothed with His very likeness, to demonstrate in our daily lives the fruits of the Spirit which includes TEMPERANCE or self - control. These references to temperance by Jesus and Paul include not only drunkenness but all kinds of dissipation which weaken our bodies, our minds and our spiritual lives.

Some apparent gains have been made in our fight on the liquor traffic during the last year but continuous effort is necessary to make these gains good. Crusades should be launched against every major vice confronting our young people. All these evils cannot be enumerated here but important among them is the use of tobacco in any way whatsoever. Nicotine is a deadly poison and once the individual has become addicted to it he will most likely use it the remainder of his life. Recent scientific studies show that nicotinism is almost as difficult to overcome as is alcoholism.

Self - control with respect to emotional living should receive greater emphasis. Violent emotional outbursts may have a ruinous effort upon spiritual, mental and even physical well-being. Many of our churches are torn to pieces by this sort of infantilism. We are admonished to grow up and "put away childish things," and to "train ourselves in godliness," and "above all things put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony."

W. F. SMITH,

RAYMOND HENDRIX.

8. Clyde R. Greene read the report of the Executive Committee. C. O. Vance and C. J. Farthing discussed item No. 1; Harold Songer, Grady Minton, Clyde R. Greene, Ed Farthing, C. O. Vance and Lawrence Hagaman, item No. 3. There was no discussions on items No. 2 and 4. The report was adopted, each item being voted on separately

### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Your Executive Committee met three times during the past year as follows:

1. We met to work out a suggested program for this session.
2. We met to arrange for the Spring session which was held with Bethel Baptist church on May 13, 1949.
3. Our last meeting was held July 24, 1949, for the purpose of making plans for this session and in accordance with custom.

we make the following recommendations for your consideration:

1. We recommend that the Associational Missionary work be reinstated and that all churches that are interested indicate this to the Executive Committee and that if and when a Missionary is secured the Executive Committee shall have charge of the work.

2. We recommend that our churches provide a program of singing and other Christian work on Sunday afternoons during the summer of 1950.

3. That our churches extend the indefinite call to their pastors and that when a church is without a pastor a pulpit committee be appointed by the church and that during the process of calling a pastor only one man be considered at a time.

4. That our pastors preach more on the New Testament plan of church discipline.

Respectfully submitted,

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.**

9. R. C. Eggers brought the report on Religious Literature, which was discussed by W. G. Bond, Mary Gay, W. J. Farthing, Mrs. Ralph Greene and Ben Wood. The report was adopted.

### **REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE**

May we consider religious literature from two angles — its production and use.

1. The Baptist Sunday School Board is producing much literature for the use of Baptist church through Sunday Schools, Baptist Training Unions and Woman's Missionary Societies. The Baptist book stores scattered throughout the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention are distributing this and other items of literature to our people.

2. In North Carolina we have two outstanding papers — Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children, which offer to our people complete information on our work in the state.

3. We urge our people to use the above mentioned publications and suggest to the churches of the Three Forks Association that possibly the greatest opportunity for directing the thinking of our people is by placing the right literature in the hands of our members. We desire to commend our Librarian for the work she has done to this end. Last year 13 of our churches reported libraries.

4. Any people will lose much of their religious zeal and interest when they neglect the reading and studying of the Bible.

Respectfully submitted,

**R. C. EGGERS,**

**CLYDE R. GREENE, Committee.**

10. The Moderator recognized the following visitors: Smith Hagaman, Pilot Mountain Association; Mary V. Gaye, Baptist Book Store, Raleigh; Ruth Provence, State W. M. U., Raleigh.

11. The following Committees to report to this session were appointed by the Moderator:

**FINANCE — L. M. Hodges and R. H. Townsend.**



NOMINATIONS — C. J. Farthing and S. C. Eggers.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER — N. M. Greene and John Haganan.

12. The Moderator recognized the twenty - one ministers present and presented the two new pastors, Harold Songer of Cove Creek and Glenn Gentry, of Mount Calvary.

13. Friendship, a new Baptist church, of Trade, Tenn., R. F. D., applied for membership in our Association. The Moderator appointed the following members of the Committee on Admission of New Churches: W. D. Ashley, W. J. Farthing, Ben Wood and Fred Haganan.

14. The congregation stood and sang, "I Need Thee Every Hour," and Ronda Earp, the appointee to preach the Annual Sermon, was recognized. He read from the 4th chapter of the Acts and requested W. D. Ashley to lead in prayer. Bro. Earp announced that verse 13 of the above chapter would be used as a text and his subject, "Making the Service of God a Reality." He developed the following thoughts:

1. Service to God is personal.
2. A worship service must be spiritual.
3. Prayer is a necessary part of all service.
4. The individual must submit to the leadership of the Holy Spirit.
5. The Christian should witness in and through his life.
6. The Gospel of Christ when properly presented is attractive.
7. The power of God is sufficient for any person.
8. Humility is a major point in the service of God.
9. Obedience to God is an essential part of serving Him.
10. The cup of those who serve God runneth over.
15. The Association adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by W. D. Ashley.

#### Noon Recess

16 After a bountiful dinner served on the church lawn, the Association reconvened at 1:15 P. M., Dave Greene conducting the devotional service.

#### REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL PROGRESS

	1948	1949	Gain or Loss
Number of Churches	44	45	1 Gain
Church Membership	7379	7653	274 Gain
S. S. Enrollment	5400	5573	173 Gain
Number Baptisms	270	396	126 Gain
W. M. U. Membership	533	462	71 Loss
B. T. U. Membership	826	1009	183 Gain
Local Contributions	\$95,454.27	100,374.71	4920.44 Gain
Missions & Benevolences	\$12,618.03	12,908.26	290.23 Ga
Total Contributions	\$108,072.30	113,391.75	5319.45 Gain

Respectfully submitted,  
RALPH BESHEARS,  
RONDA EARP.



17. W. J. Farthing reported favorably for the Committee on the admission of Friendship Baptist church of Trade, Tenn., R. F. D., to our Association. By unanimous vote the church was received and the Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship to the messengers.

18. The report of the Committee on Woman's Work was presented by Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, who discussed the report. The discussion was continued by Ruth Provence and W. G. Bond and the report was adopted.

### REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

"To make known to the sons of men His mighty acts and the glory of His kingdom," the watchword for the year, is the challenge and goal of our W. M. U. activities: Prayer, Bible and Mission Study, Stewardship, Community Missions, and Missionary Education of young people. Truly, in this great work we are laborers together with God, looking to Christ, the answer.

In our Association we would desire to enlist more of our churches in promoting the W. M. U. work, whose purpose is to witness for the Lord at home, in our state, in our country and to the uttermost parts of the earth.

Our hearts are saddened when we find that only twenty-seven per cent of the churches have any organized W. M. U. work. But we are thankful for the twelve Woman's Missionary Societies, having an enrollment of 221.

Seven churches — Boone, Blowing Rock, Cove Creek, Oak Grove, Meat Camp, Perkinsville and Stony Fork — have one or more of the Missionary organizations for young people. There are 2 Y. W. A., 8 G. A., 3 R. A., and 4 S. B., a total of 17 with an enrollment of 225.

Of much interest in the work of the young people during the year, were the two camps, one for Royal Ambassadors, April 29, 30; and the other for Girls' Auxiliaries, May 6, 7. Twenty - two boys and forty - eight girls, accepting the theme, "Linked Together in World Missions," entered into the camp activities of mission study, morning and evening worship, offering, singing and recreation in a fine Christian spirit. We greatly appreciate the work of the pastors, counselors, state W. M. U. workers, missionaries, parents and others who helped to make the camps worthwhile.

There are great opportunities through the W. M. U. organizations for women and young people to serve the Lord. Pray that we may be faithful in laboring together to make known to the world the message of the Savior.

Respectfully submitted,  
MRS. NORA M. WILSON.

19. The Moderator recognized W. C. Payne, who requested S. G. Eggers to read the report on Missions. The report was discussed by W. C. Payne, M. A. Huggins and Smith Hagaman and was adopted.

### REPORT ON MISSIONS

Christ said, "But ye shall receive power when the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be My witness both in

Jerusalem and in Judea and Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth."

In these words of Jesus, uttered just before His ascension to the Father His authority and instruction for our mission program. He gave us first, our equipment — POWER from on HIGH; second our task — WITNESSING FOR JESUS; third, our field — JERUSALEM, JUDEA, SAMARIA, UTTERMOST PARTS OF THE EARTH.

We Baptists classify or designate our Mission work as State, Home or Foreign and the beginning corner is HOME and from thence UNTO THE UTTERMOST PARTS OF THE EARTH.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. PAYNE,

LAWRENCE HAGAMAN.

20. The Association adjourned to meet tomorrow at Zionville Baptist church, Zionville, N. C. O. J. Harris pronounced the benediction.

### SECOND DAY — WEDNESDAY, AUG. 31, 1949 MORNING SESSION

#### ZIONVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH, ZIONVILLE, N. C.

21. The Moderator called the session to order at 9:15 A. M. After a song service conducted by C. J. Farthing, N. M. Greene brought the opening worship service.

22. J. T. C. Wight read the report on Obituaries. The report was adopted and Bynum Trivett led a special prayer in memory of our departed members.

23. Mr. and Mrs. George Gragg and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Gragg of the Stony Fork Association were recognized.

24. In the absence of the Committee on Christian Education a motion prevailed that the subject be discussed and the report heard later. W. J. Farthing discussed the B. T. U. work; C. J. Farthing spoke on Sunday Schools; Dr. Carlyle Campbell discussed the place of Christian Colleges in our work. The discussion was continued by W. J. Farthing and M. H. Kendall of Mars Hill College.

25. The election of officers being the next order of business, W. J. Farthing moved that M. H. Kendall cast the vote of the Association for R. C. Eggers for Moderator. This motion was seconded and passed and Bro. Kendall so cast the vote. The following other officers were elected:

Wade E. Brown, Vice-Moderator; Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treas.; C. J. Farthing, song leader and Sunday School Superintendent; W. J. Farthing, Historian and B. T. U. Director; C. O. Vance, Hospital Director; Russell D. Hodges, Orphanage Director; R. C. Eggers, Colporteur and Mrs. Don Perry, Librarian.

26. W. G. Bond read the report on Christian Education. The report, having already been discussed, was adopted.

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

What is happening to the home is a commentary on Christian education, for it begins in the home. Most of our attitudes are formed while we are in the tender years of life. We may have reached a strange situation in the American home. Its fail-

ures may be the cause of our high crime cost, extreme expenditures for alcoholic beverages, and almost unbelievable moral conditions. Maybe we have come to the point where the failures of the home make demands on the church and school to equip new parents for new homes, where the failures will not be so glaring.

The church today faces its greatest challenge to do something for its members which will stand in a category by itself. Its horizon is clouded, but its vision needs to be clear for its purpose is to do something for man which the world cannot do. Christian education in the church must give people facts about the Bible, and life. These must be related. The task of Christian education goes on to train its constituency to carry on the work of God's kingdom. It is the duty of Christian education in the church to help man see the world with the gospel available as its only hope for redemption.

Out across the length and breadth of the land we see education today as one of our largest institutions. The church can be credited with starting this great movement. The state has taken over great segments of this task of education. This is necessary if we are to be aware of our potential. Yet the church cannot go out of the business of education, for it must develop Christian minds to lead Christians everywhere. I have not come to the point that I want the state to train men for the leadership of our great denomination. Personally it means something to me that we have Christian schools like Mars Hill, Wingate, Gardner - Webb, Campbell College, Meredith and Wake Forest to which we may look for a great impact on our state. I believe in Christian education in the home, church, college and seminary.

W. G. BOND,

WADE E. BROWN.

27. C. O. Vance, the appointee to preach at this time, was recognized by the Moderator. After a song he requested Raymond Hendrix to lead prayer. Bro. Vance read the 5th chapter of St. Matthew and offered prayer. He announced his subject, "The Kind of Christianity the World Needs Today." He emphasized four thoughts:

1. The world needs a Christianity that is not afraid to face the facts as they exist.

2. The world needs a Christianity that shows compassion and a willingness to help.

3. The world needs a Christianity that witnesses for Christ in word and deed unto the uttermost parts of the earth. He closed his message with prayer.

28. The session adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by W. C. Payne.

#### Noon Recess

29. After another bountiful dinner served on the church lawn the Association reconvened at 1:30 P. M. W. D. Ashley conducted the devotional service.

30. Clyde R. Greene read the report on Associational Progress which was adopted without discussion.

31. Victor Trivett read the report for the Committee on Benevolences and it was adopted after being discussed by Victor Trivett, W. K. McGhee, of the Baptist hospital, R. C. Eggers, M. s. Ethel Hodges, C. O. Vance and I. G. Greer.

### REPORT ON BENEVOLENCES

Teaching and healing, two of the principal precepts of Christ's ministry, are the main objects of the Baptist Orphanage and hospital.

Receipts from the churches in the Mother's Day offering this year totaled \$141,150.50. Approximately one half of the 8880 bed patients and all the 36,000 visits to the outpatient clinics paid no doctor fees. We earnestly commend the work of our hospital to our churches and request their loyal support therefor.

Since the establishment of our Orphanage in 1885, thousands of homeless boys and girls have been cared for. Last year we helped 793 children — 22 more than in 1947 and 93 more than in 1948. A new cottage will soon be opened at Kennedy Home which will enable them to care for 24 more children.

It is the duty of our churches to aid our aged ministers who have fought a good fight and are very dear to our people.

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR TRIVETT,

N. M. GREENE.

32. At the suggestion of W. K. McGhee, the Moderator requested the congregation to stand and W. G. Bond led a prayer of thanks for the victory of the dry forces in Stokes and Forsyth counties on yesterday.

33. The Treasurer offered the following reports which were adopted as read:

### GENERAL ASSOCIATIONAL FUND

#### RECEIPTS —

Minute fund -----	\$183.81	
Rutherford Church --	2.00	\$185.81

#### DISBURSEMENTS —

Overdraft 1948 -----	39.59	
1000 Minutes -----	162.50	
Postage -----	4.56	
Clerk -- -- --	40.00	248.65
Overdraft -- -- --		\$ 60.84

### SPECIAL FUND FOR ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

#### RECEIPTS —

Balance -----	\$ 28.01	
From Churches -----	342.32	
From State Board -----	300.00	
Other Items -- -- --	28.00	\$698.33

#### DISBURSEMENTS —

Miss Davis' Salary -----	\$695.50	
Tax -- -- --	2.15	\$697.65
Balance -- -- --		.68



We are still due Miss Davis \$94.60 on salary.

ASSOCIATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL FUND —		
BALANCE —	\$8.48	\$8.48
DISBURSEMENTS —		
Paid Miss Davis for Expenses .....	\$8.48	\$8.48

34. R. H. Townsend read the report of the Finance Committee, which was adopted.

**REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Received for Minute fund .....	\$210.80
Paid to Treasurer .....	\$210.80

35. By motion duly passed an offering was taken amounting to \$33.02 to apply on the General Associational Fund deficit.

36. C. J. Farthing brought the report from the Nominating Committee which was adopted as read and is given in the Associational Directory.

37. John Hagaman read the report on resolutions which was adopted without discussion.

**REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS**

We, your Committee on Resolutions, present the following:

1. We extend our sincere thanks to the pastors and members of Forest Grove and Zionville churches and communities for th outstanding way in which they have entertained this the One Hundred and Ninth Session of our Association.

2. We recognize the efficient work of our Moderator and Clerk and extend to them our sincere thanks.

3. We recognize the good work our churches did in helping to vote wine and beer out of our county. We recommend that a l pastors and messengers go back to the churches and urgently plead with our church members to abstain from strong drink in any form in order that the world may see the reality in serving God.

Respectfully submitted,  
 DALLAS WILSON,  
 JOHN HAGAMAN.

38. N. M. Greene offered the report from the Committee on Time, Place and Preachers, which was adopted.

**REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHERS**

TIME — Tuesday and Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in August, 1950.

PLACE — First day, Perkinsville Baptist church; second day, Three Forks Baptist Church.

PREACHERS — First day, Raymond Hendrix, Alternate W. J. Cook; Second day, Bynum Trivett, Alternate, David Greene.

39. The Clerk was directed to prepare the manuscript for the minutes, have 1000 copies printed and distribute them to the churches and he is allowed \$40.00 for this work.

40. The Executive Committee constituted the Committee on Suggested Order of Business for next session.

41. Victor Trivett conducted the closing worship service.



The One Hundred and Ninth Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association adjourned, benedictions by I. G. Greer.

R. C. EGGERS, Moderator  
CLYDE R. GREENE, Clerk.

## Obituaries

Dedicated to our members who have passed to the Great Beyond since our last session.

### ANTIOCH —

Mr. Arris Greer, Mr. Harley Harmon, Mrs. Lydia Harmon.

### BEAVER DAM —

Mrs. Holly Huffman, Mr. Lindsey Huffman.

### BEACH VALLEY —

Elder E. C. Harmon.

### BETHANY —

Mr. Cyrus Smith.

### BETHEL —

Mr. R. J. Millsaps, Mr. James E. Farthing, Mrs. Nettie Farthing, Mr. Jerry M. Cook.

### BLOWING ROCK —

Mr. John Knight.

### BOONE —

Mr. W. W. Gragg.

### COVE CREEK —

Mrs. Nettie Gragg, Mrs. Sue Sherwood.

### COOL SPRINGS —

Miss Doris Cannon, Mr. C. C. Winkler.

### FOREST GROVE —

Mr. J. N. Eller, Mr. Floyd Eggers, Mr. Frank Roark, Mrs. Grace Hagaman.

### GAP CREEK —

Mrs. Ellen Church.

### LAUREL SPRINGS —

Mrs. T. F. Watson, Mrs. Rebecca Brown, Mr. James Johnson, Mrs. Sarah Phillips.

### MEAT CAMP —

Mr. George Winkler.

### MOUNT CALVARY —

Mr. Sidney Perry, Mr. Reed Painter.

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**MOUNT GILEAD —**

Mrs. Pearl Isaacs, Mr. Grant Stansberry.

**MOUNT LEBANON —**

Mr. John Hartley.

**OAK GROVE —**

Mr. J. C. Hodges, Mrs. J. C. Hodges.

**PLEASANT GROVE —**

Mrs. Verta Gieer, Mrs. Sarah Sluder.

**PROFFIT GROVE —**

Mr. Henry Bryan, Mrs. Maria Beach.

**SHULLS MILLS —**

Mrs. Blanche Davis, Mr. Sherrill Calloway.

**SOUTH FORK —**

Mr. John Cox.

**STONY FORK —**

Mrs. Emmie Green, Mrs. Ethel Triplett, Mrs. Celia Michael, Mr. G. B. Miller.

**THREE FORKS —** Mr. L. H. Hollar, Mrs. Vick Hendrix.**UNION —**

Deacon Eolomon Eggers, Mr. J. E. Burkett, Mrs. Lizie Warlick, Mrs. Myra Norris.

**WILLOWDALE —**

Mr. Annie Hicks.

**ZION HILL —**

Mr. J. B. Ward.

**ZIONVILLE —**

Miss Eddie Younce, Mrs. Minnie Grogan.

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### **PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPRING SESSION OF THE THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OF NORTH CAROLINA**

1. The Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina met in Special Session with Bethel Baptist church, Sugar Grove, N. C., Friday, May 13, 1949 at 10:00 A. M.

2. C. J. Farthing led the opening song service and the Moderator, R. C. Eggers, called the session to order after words of greeting from Dr. Wiley Smith, pastor of Bethel church.

3. Bynum Trivett conducted the opening worship program after prayer by Mm. Farthing.

4. Dr Wiley Smith, Chairman of the Executive Committee,

presented the program for the Spring session, which was adopted.

5. The Moderator recognized the 16 ministers present including Harold Songer, new pastor at Cove Creek Baptist church.

6. The Clerk, Clyde R. Greene, called the roll of the churches. 22 responded.

7. R. C. Eggers discussed the subject, "The Sunday School Witnessing for Christ."

8. C. O. Vance discussed the Vacation Bible school and plans for the summer urging all our churches to have a Vacation Bible school. Dr. W. G. Bond also urged that all of our churches participate in this program pointing out that people are interested in Christianity in proportion to the knowledge they have of Christ and his teachings.

9. Harold Songer emphasized the opportunity that the Sunday school has to go into "The Highways and Hedges" to bring the unsaved to the church.

10. The Moderator introduced Horace Harris, of Hickory, N. C., who brought a message on "The Church Witnessing for Christ."

11. The special session recessed. Benediction by John Hagan.

#### NOON RECESS

12. The Spring session reconvened at 1:00 p. m. Fred Hagan conducting the worship service

13. The Moderator presented W. D. Ashley, who announced that he would speak on Evangelism, his subject being, "Teach Transgressors the Way of the Lord."

14. Mrs. Nora M. Wilson spoke briefly on the work of the young people.

15. Dr. W. G. Bond brought a message on the subject, "The Individual Witnessing for Christ."

He used the first chapter of Acts as a basis for his message which pointed out that a revival comes only to churches whose members know Christ and who pray and work for a revival.

16. By motion made and duly passed the special session thanked the Bethel church and community for entertaining the Association in a splendid manner.

17. The Spring session adjourned, benediction by R. E. Hendrix.

R. C. EGGERS, Moderator,  
CLYDE R. GREENE, Clerk.

**MINUTES OF THE  
WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION**

**THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Association met in its Thirty-Sixth Annual Meeting with Oak Grove Baptist church on April 16, 1949, with Mrs. A. E. Moretz, Superintendent, presiding.

The theme for the day's program was, "That the World May Know."

The meeting was opened by singing, "Oh, For A Thousand Tongues to Sing," after which the congregation remained standing for repeating of the watchwords in unison and prayer by Rev. Harold Songer.

The Superintendent recognized the following visitors and pastors present: Miss Laura Frances Snow, State Representative; Miss Alda Grayson, returned Missionary from China, Harold Songer, W. G. Bond, N. M. Greene, C. O. Vance, A. E. Moretz and R. C. Eggers.

Committees were appointed as follows:

Resolutions — Mrs. Kent Brown, Mrs. Alfred Adams, Mrs. Frank Miller, Sr.

Recommendations: Mrs. Wade Clawson, Mrs. Joe Coffey.

Time and Place — Mrs. Fred Edmisten, Mrs. Mary Welborn, Mrs. Dwight Edmisten.

Obituaries — Mrs. Hattie Lewis, Mrs. Roy Greene.

At the roll call of the societies, the following answered with the number of members present: Boone 9; Cove Creek 12; Laurel Springs 2; Meat Camp 7; Oak Grove 17; Perkinsville 1; Poplar Grove 6; Stony Fork 8; Willowdale 4.

The Superintendent reported 5464 miles traveled, 132 letters and 26 postal cards written. She stressed the different ways we could make Christ known in our communities. Mrs. Herman Eggers, speaking for Mrs. S. F. Horton, showed how we could make Christ known in our association through community missions. Mrs. Ralph Greene and Mrs. Verne Greene showed how to make Christ known in our homes and communities through Mission Study and good literature. Mrs. Ethel Hodges, speaking on Stewardship, urged every Baptist to become a tither.

The treasurer made the following report:

Balance in the Treasury April 17, 1948	\$19.82
Received at Annual Meeting April 17	20.55
Received for Expense Fund	20.55
Total	\$54.47
Paid out:	
Miss Estelle Councilman - Missionary	\$10.00
Corsages for Miss Councilman & Miss Mayo	5.00
Telephone call	.90
Programs and Postage	1.10
Mrs. C. A. Bowman (bus fare)	2.50

Gift for Miss Ora Olford	5.00
Total	\$24.50
Balance in Treasury April 16, 1949	\$29.97

Rev. R. C. Eggers led in prayer after which an offering of \$13.51 was taken.

Miss Laura Frances Snow brought before us very forcibly our responsibility toward others around us in her message on "The Urgency of Making Him Known."

After singing "O, Zion Haste," the Superintendent made some announcements and Miss Beth Eggers from Boone, brought a special message in song.

Dr. W. G. Bond introduced Mrs. Ralph Greene, who in turn introduced Miss Alda Grayson. Miss Grayson, using as a subject, "That the World May Know," stirred every heart present by her account of conditions in China today.

After the benediction and blessing on the meal to be served by Rev. C. O. Vance, everyone present thoroughly enjoyed the bountiful meal which had been prepared by the hostess church.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session, under the direction of Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, associational young people's leader, was begun with singing "Christ For the World We Sing."

The scripture from Psalm 145 was given by Joyce Perry and Rev. Harold Songer led in prayer.

Mrs. Wilson, assisted by Mrs. Don C. Perry and John Ward, stressed the duties of young people's directors and Camp - Associational, Divisional and State — with special emphasis on the Associational Camps to be held at the home of Mrs. Wilson April 29-30 and May 6-7.

Following the singing of the hymn, "The Kingdom is Coming," Miss Snow discussed briefly the Margaret Fund and W. M. U. Training School.

The report on Resolutions was adopted as read by Mrs. Alfred Adams.

### RESOLUTIONS

We, the members of the W. M. U. of the Three Forks Baptist Association, wish to express our heartfelt thanks for the many blessings received during the past year, therefore be it resolved:

1. That we express our deep appreciation to the women of Oak Grove Baptist church for their cordial welcome and their gracious hospitality.

2. That we express gratitude to all who had a part on the program and contributed in word or song to the success of the meeting.

3. That as followers of Christ we rededicate ourselves to the God-given task of telling the glorious gospel of Jesus



Christ, and that we recognize Christ as the answer to all of our problems.

Respectfully submitted:

Mrs. Kent Brown, Mrs. W. F. Miller, Sr., Mrs. A. Adams.

Mrs. Fred Edmisten made the report on Time, and Place which was adopted.

Place — Stony Fork Baptist church.

Time — To be announced later.

Mrs. Hattie S. Lewis read the report on Obituaries which was adopted as read.

### IN MEMORIAM

One by one our friends and co-workers slip away from us and we are saddened by their passing. Yet our lives were enriched because we were privileged to share their friendships. Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved families of the following:

Laurel Springs W. M. S.: Mrs. S. F. Watson, Mrs. Rebecca Brown.

Cove Creek W. M. S.: Mrs. Nettie Gragg, Mrs. Sue Sherwood.

Stony Fork W. M. S.: Mrs. Emma Greene.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mrs. Hattie Lewis,

Mrs. Hoy Greene.

The report on Recommendations was adopted as read by Mrs. Wade Clawson.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

To make known to the sons of men His Mighty Acts and the Glory of the Majesty of His Kingdom calls for consecrated efficiency on the part of every Christian, that the world may know of Jesus an His great love, let it be resolved:

1. That we recognize Him first in our own lives and everything we do.

2. We urge each associational officer to secure through our Superintendent the commitment of each society for the advancement of kingdom work.

3. That we urge advanced training in Christian leadership for our young people, stressing much emphasis on giving of their time, talent and money.

4. That we seek to remove all immoral activities that will be detrimental to the spiritual welfare of all people.

5. That we strive to enlist our people in reading more missionary books that will be inspiring and lead them to Christ.

6. That we select missionary minded teachers and leaders, whose hearts are filled with zeal for soul winning, and through their own personality, will inspire others to take part in missionary activities.

7. So let us as a band of Christian Workers read, that we may know and care, that we may pray to make His mighty power known to the whole world.

Respectfully submitted,  
MRS. WADE CLAWSON,  
MRS. JOE COFFEY.

Mrs. Maxie Edmisten read the report on Nominations.

Superintendent .....	Mrs. A. E. Moretz
Assistant Superintendent .....	Mrs. Greene
Secretary and Treasurer .....	Mrs. Don C. Perry
Literature Chairman .....	Mrs. Ralph Greene
Mission Study Chairman .....	Mrs. Verne Greene
Community Missions Chairman .....	Mrs. Ethel Hodges
Stewardship Chairman .....	Mrs. Fred Edmisten
W. M. U. Training School & Margaret Fund	

Chairman .....	Mrs. Oscar Harris
Young People's Leader .....	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson
R. A. Counselor .....	John Ward

Nominating Committee for 1950:

Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Chairman; Mrs. Kent Brown, Mrs. Stanford Berry, Mrs. Clara Simpson.

On motion these were elected by acclamation. The charge to the officers and dedicatory prayer were led by Miss Laura Frances Snow.

The closing meditation and prayer by Dr. W. G. Bond helped everyone to leave with the determination to go home and do something wrth while for Jesus.

MRS. A. E. MORETZ, Superintendent.  
MRS. DON C. PERRY, Secretary.

**STATISTICAL  
TABLES**

Table A — CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location OC?V-T-C	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters and Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer	Total Present Members	Revival Meetings	Number Titlers	State Paper in Budget	Church Library
Antioch	OC	1849	1	R. C. Cook, Lenoir	2	3	13	191	1		No	No
Beaver Dam	OC	1874	3	W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock	11	4	8	222	1		No	No
Beech Valley	OC	1941	2 4	James Allen, Rominger	7	1	3	80	2		No	Yes
Bethany	OC	1898	2 4	L. H. Hagaman, Beech Creek	1		6	149	1		No	Yes
Bethel	OC	1851	2 4	Wiley Smith, Boone			14	257			No	Yes
Blowing Rock	T	1903	1 2 3 4	Oscar J. Harris, Blowing Rock	10	3	3	187	1	24	No	Yes
Boone	C	1870	1 2 3 4	W. G. Bond, Boone	15	44	31	849	2	95	Yes	Yes
Brushy Fork	OC	1858	2 4	W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock			2	151	1		No	No
Clark's Creek	OC	1898	1 3	Ira Hodges, Banner Elk	4		1	72	1		No	No
Cool Springs	OC	1838	3	R. H. Shore, Blowing Rock	10	4	3	134	1		No	No
Cove Creek	V	1799	1 2 3 4	Harold Songer, Sherwood	15	5	10	212	1		No	Yes
Elk Knob	OC	1890	1 3	Noah Johnson, Todd	6		4	88	1		No	No
Forest Grove	OC	1889	1 3	L. H. Hagaman, Beech Creek	4		8	151	1		No	Yes
Friendship	OC	1949	1	Victor Trivett, Trade, Tenn.	50	20	10	60	1		No	No
Gap Creek	OC	1827	4	R. E. Hendrix, Boone	4	1	2	136	1		No	Yes
Green Valley	OC	1943	1 3	Bynum Trivett, Stony Fork	1	1	1	72	1		No	No
Howard's Creek	OC	1888	4	W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock	3	16	139	1	1		No	No









Table C — TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES		No. of Story Hours	No. of Junior Unions	No. of Int. Unions	No. of Y. P. Unions	No. of Adult Unions	Grand Total Unions	Story Hour Enrolled	Junior Enrolled	Intermediate Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Adult Enrolled	Gen. Officers Enrolled	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance
	Beech Valley	Sam L. Ward, Beech Creek	---	1	1	1	1	1	4	15	15	9	18	12	3	57
Bethel	Carolyn Sherwood, Sugar Grove	---	1	1	1	1	1	4	10	10	13	9	5	3	37	30
Boone	F. W. McCracken, Boone	---	1	1	1	5	1	9	12	20	20	85	40	3	180	83
Brushy Fork	Ray Minton, Vilas	---	1	1	1	1	1	4	11	23	22	19	2	2	77	41
Cove Creek	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville	---	1	1	1	1	1	5	9	12	16	13	12	3	62	45
Forest Grove	J. G. Johnson, Reese	---	1	1	1	1	1	4	10	10	24	25	3	3	72	30
Mabel	Lewis Burkett, Mabel	---	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	12	11	25	13	2	66	55
Meat Camp	Robert Proffitt, Boone	---	1	1	1	1	1	3	8	15	12	12	12	3	35	28
Oak Grove	Howard Barnes, Adams	---	1	1	1	1	1	5	10	10	25	26	40	2	113	63
Pleasant Grove	Ray Pardue, Zionville	---	1	2	2	1	1	6	36	36	29	25	17	107	70	
Poplar Grove	Clayton Greene, Shulls Mills	---														
Rutherford	S. B. Brown, Boone	---	1	1	1	1	1	4	6	10	26	14	4	4	60	30
South Fork	Glenn Howell, Laxon	---	1	1	1	1	2	2	12	12	20	20	18	18	32	25
Willowdale	Fom Lawrence, Vilas	---	1	1	1	1	3	3	14	14	20	18	18	52	26	
Willow Valley	George Harmon, Sugar Grove	---	1	1	1	1	4	5	5	10	22	22	22	22	59	50
Total			7	15	12	15	13	62	62	198	192	291	249	17	1009	621



Table F — CHURCH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	CHURCH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES									
	Pastor's Salary for year	Other Salaries	Maintenance Church Property	New Buildings	Literature Song Books, etc.	Local Mission and Benevolences	Revival Expense and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenditures
Antioch	285.23	22.80	32.19		68.64	4.00	30.00		260.50	442.86
Beaver Dam	297.36		62.00		45.00	113.33	128.17		894.36	
Beech Valley	360.43				88.62	38.60	176.14		54.54	718.33
Bethany	362.02			3,385.83	61.91	58.20	96.33		22.10	3,986.39
Bethel	567.85	.171.00		1,973.15	112.47	258.31			199.00	3,282.58
Blowing Rock	1,900.00	72.00	102.00	749.17	184.29		87.11		273.40	3,367.99
Boone	4,345.81	2,703.70	1,952.02		2,396.34	522.59	170.00		2,937.91	15,028.37
Brushy Fork	450.14			4,785.21	139.74		101.00		270.57	5,746.66
Clark's Creek	235.00		38.40		40.25	13.75	23.00		13.13	368.53
Cool Springs	173.14	30.02	154.34		28.13		31.61		126.60	540.84
Cove Creek	1,175.00	224.00	485.20		266.86	52.70	250.00		18.50	2,472.26
Elk Knob	227.56				20.00		39.00		35.00	321.56
Forest Grove	222.49	15.00		860.81	51.20	30.50	147.30	388.98	111.25	1,827.23
Friendship	85.92				25.78	8.77	135.00		20.00	4,149.31
Gap Creek	263.00	12.00		3,873.84	74.00		50.00			399.00
Green Valley	366.04				41.50		40.98		20.67	469.90
Howard's Creek	328.48	57.50	20.96		52.13	35.00	37.00		39.75	570.82
Laurel Springs	623.85			3,664.48	56.30	49.50	100.00		102.00	4,596.13
Mabel	924.46			2,241.66	47.70		100.00		135.78	3,449.60
Meat Camp	479.67		243.14		98.94	110.02	99.44			1,031.10
Middle Fork	927.86	7.30	60.21	690.70	55.20		50.00			1,693.06



Perkinsville	644.85	147.87	172.45	31.00	320.06	260.93	127.14	1,704.30
Pleasant Grove	346.51	228.49	69.25	15.68	9.50		14.00	683.43
Poplar Grove	230.85	25.00	39.70	42.67	136.12		128.39	602.73
Proffit Grove	205.01	180.80	35.00	59.90	40.79		28.50	550.00
Rich Mountain	377.67	146.08		877.11	77.40			1,586.22
Rutherford	167.33	92.91	2,070.01	73.30	110.76			2,542.53
Shulls Mills	429.50	60.00	103.37	12.03	21.77		202.00	626.67
South Fork	559.26	175.22	89.34	221.44				1,213.06
Stony Fork	176.50	4.35	27.84	38.45			212.39	459.53
Tabernacle	806.14	115.00	163.00	19.72	141.00	1,440.00	11.56	2,743.42
Three Forks	199.82		24.00	22.00	84.00		54.50	384.32
Timbered Ridge	500.00	85.00	97.29	23.25	82.32		251.80	1,068.89
Union	1,035.00	104.00	119.88	402.42	60.00		81.28	2,266.89
Willowdale	346.40		344.24	49.30	302.11		90.00	1,202.10
White Rock	225.61	56.50		99.90	50.00		60.80	501.81
Willow Valley	241.53	49.92	1,040.73	40.10			14.03	1,414.99
Zion Hill	704.88	130.00	2,111.62	106.30	393.25		20.00	3,473.05
Zionville	24,366.61	4,412.31	7,107.46	42,469.64	5,701.67	2,623.60	4,347.75	2,958.41
Total								6,487.57

#### CHURCHES, TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES

Antioch — G. A. Edmisten, Sugar Grove; Beaver Dam — Lee Swift, Reese; Beech Valley — Spencer Phillips, Beech Creek; Bethany — Victor Farthing Rominger; Bethel — Edmund Farthing, Sugar Grove; Blowing Rock — D. P. Coffey, Blowing Rock; Boone — James Farthing, Boone; Brushy Fork — Charlie Moody, Vilas; Clark's Creek — Robert Greene, Banner Elk; Cool Springs — Mrs. Eddie Sherill, Boone; Cove Creek — Odes Wilson, Zionville; Elk Knob — ; Forest Grove — ; Friendship — Mrs. C. C. Main, Trade Tenn.; Gap Creek — Mrs. Clyde Moretz, Deep Gap; Green Valley — Elfa Smitherman, Reese; Howard's Creek — Grady Brown, Boone; Laurel Springs — Clifford Ray Deep Gap; Mabel — Mrs. Clyde Wilson, Mabel; Meat Camp — W. H. Greene, Boone; Middle Fork — L. P. Hodges, Blowing Rock; Mountain Dale — Collis Greene, Reese; Mount Calvary — J. M. Shoemaker, Balm; Mount Lebanon — Ivey Moore, Vilas; Oak Grove — Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams; Perkinsville — Hay W. Greene, Boone; Pleasant Grove — Everett Culler, Zionville; Poplar Grove — T. M. Shore, Boone; Proffit Grove — Ralph Proffit, Zionville; Rich Mountain — Edith Cornell, Zionville; Rutherford — Glen Bodenhammer, Boone; Shulls Mills — Mrs. J. E. Harbin, Shulls Mills; South Fork — W. G. Cook, Todd; Stony Fork — Stewart Hamby, Deep Gap; Tabernacle — L. C. Stansberry, Boone; Three Forks — James Austin, Boone; Tombered Ridge — A. E. Trivett, Reese; Union — Stanley Norris, Mabel; Willowdale — Fred Blair, Vilas; White Rock — Mrs. H. H. Shook, Banner Elk; Willow Valley — Vonnie Greene, Sugar Grove; Zion Hill — Stacy Moody, Beech Creek; Zionville — W. R. Holman, Zionville.

Table G — GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, EDUCATION, ORPHANAGES, ETC.

CHURCHES	Co-operative program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Schools and Colleges	Orphanage Total gifts	Designated to hospitals	Relief and Annuity	Total Gifts for Missions	Grand Total for all Purposes
Antioch			3.00	1.00			71.67	11.16		86.83	529.69
Beaver Dam			5.00			105.00	46.11	22.90		179.01	1,073.37
Beech Valley			4.80					8.43		13.30	731.63
Bethany				3.65			117.71	8.69		130.05	4,116.44
Bethel					75.00		229.18			304.18	3,586.76
Blowing Rock	178.60		21.27	16.80	30.00	1.00	42.20	30.00	36.53	356.40	3,724.37
Boone	945.23	300.00	206.85	123.50	425.42	450.00	11.34	271.43	507.45	5,840.22	20,868.59
Brushy Fork	24.45		10.63		66.65		76.17			177.90	5,924.56
Clark's Creek			10.00		8.00		31.92	18.70		68.62	437.15
Cool Springs							84.50			84.50	625.34
Cove Creek	331.54	50.00			25.00		232.00	20.75	5.00	664.29	3,136.55
Elk Knob											321.56
Forest Grove	23.23						23.25	12.40		58.88	1,886.41
Friendship								8.77		8.77	4,158.08
Gap Creek			2.28	2.17			28.52	11.28	17.00	61.25	460.25
Green Valley								4.70		4.70	474.60
Howard's Creek							45.13			45.13	615.95
Laurel Springs	4.80		4.26				63.50	12.00	8.00	112.56	4,708.69
Mabel					15.74		15.74	13.65		45.13	3,494.73
Meat Camp	21.97		2.00	3.36	7.24		148.16	20.00	8.00	210.73	1,241.83
Middle Fork							50.00	33.88		83.88	1,343.43
Mountain Dale											364.07
Mount Calvary	26.28						59.75	18.95		104.98	1,350.16
							13.50	4.00	95.16	49.61	2,007.12

Pleasant Grove	7.60	38.50	16.61	86.92	17.70	190.30	2,007.12
Poplar Grove	47.75			128.00	15.34	77.33	1,006.96
Profit Grove				19.00		19.00	621.73
Rich Mountain			37.13	74.84	39.22		550.00
Rutherford	5.32			15.00			156.51
Shulls Mills	.70	1.00		44.00	12.00	44.40	26.70
South Fork	120.00			239.22	18.95		2,569.23
Stony Fork	121.77			14.66	6.02	20.08	847.07
Tabernacle	1.82	19.77	5.00	144.00	20.47		379.97
Three Forks				5.00	5.50		70.65
Timbered Ridge				105.00	50.00	75.00	530.18
Union	84.00	18.24	8.24	140.00	55.00	50.00	2,907.89
Willowdale	22.00	20.00		38.00			394.82
White Rock	50.00			38.57			10.50
Willow Valley				48.00	14.19	23.73	230.00
Zion Hill				159.52	57.00		1,298.69
Zionville			487.40				2,694.37
Total	4,216.32	405.24	543.78	653.75	867.30	556.00	1,282.10
				3,569.40	939.05	1,157.32	80.00
							88.57
							590.38
							1,500.91
							4,176.97
							703.92
							12,908.26
							113,391.75

CHURCHES, CLERKS AND ADDRESSES: Antioch — Dwight Cable, Sugar Grove; Beaver Dam — C. B. Reese, Trade, Tenn.; Beech Valley — Spencer Phillips, Beech Creek; Bethany — M. P. Ward, Balm; Bethel — Howard Lawrence, Sugar Grove; Blowing Rock — Mrs. L. A. Hollar, Blowing Rock; Boone — J. T. C. Wright, Boone; Brushy Fork — Minnie Dare Greene, Vilas; Clark's Creek — Robert Greene, Banner Elk; Cool Springs — W. W. Austin, Shulls Mills; Cove Creek — Hattie S. Johnson, Sherwood; Elk Knob — W. C. South, Tamarack; Forest Grove — Chas. Johnson, Reese; Friendship — Glenn May, Trade Tenn.; Gap Creek — Russell Wellborn, Deep Gap; Gren Valley — Albert Ward, Reese; Howards Creek — L. F. Cottrell, Boone; Laurel Springs — Joe L. Coffey, Laxon; Mabel — Mrs. Helen Williams, Mabel; Meat Camp — M. C. Brown, Boone; Middle Fork — L. P. Hodges, Blowing Rock; Mountain Dale — Clay Phillips, Reese; Mount Calvary — Mrs. Alma Shoemaker, Balm; Mount Gilead — W. L. Greenwell, Heaton; Mount Lebanon — Lewis Moore, Vilas; Oak Grove — Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams; Perkinsville — Woodrow Greene, Boone; Pleasant Grove — Don H. Perry, Zionville; Poplar Grove — Mrs. Max Austin, Boone; Profit Grove — Kermit Profit, Zionville; Rich Mountain — Edith Cornell, Zionville; Rutherford — Mrs. B. D. Clawson, Boone; Shulls Mills — Fred Hatley, Shulls Mills; South Fork — Eugene Seatz, Todd; Stony Fork — Joe J. Wellborn, Stony Fork; Tabernacle — Fred N. Brown, Boone; Three Forks — Walter Edmisten, Boone; Timbered Ridge — Wade F. Greene, Reese; Union — Ivan Younce, Mabel; Willowdale — Mrs. Gladys Mast, Vilas; White Rock — Mrs. H. Smith, Banner Elk; Willow Valley — Geo. Harmon, Sugar Grove; Zion Hill — Henry Hagaman, Valle Crucis; Zionville — Fred Castle, Zionville.









# Three Forks Baptist Association North Carolina

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH SESSION

HELD WITH

PERKINSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

AUGUST 29, 1950

AND

THREE FORKS BAPTIST CHURCH

AUGUST 30, 1950

THE ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH SESSION TO BE

HELD WITH BEECH VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

BEECH CREEK, N. C.

AUGUST 28, 1951 AND

POPLAR GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

SHULLS MILLS, N. C.

AUGUST 29, 1951

A. C. Moody to preach the Annual Sermon on the first  
day of the Session; N. M. Greene, Alternate  
C. H. Kincaid to preach on second day;  
Harold Songer, Alternate



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**Tuesday, August 28, 1951**

- 9:00— 9:20— Opening Worship  
 9:20— 9:40— Address of Moderator  
 9:40—10:10— Report on Public Morals  
 10:10—10:40— Report of Executive Committee  
 10:40—11:10— Report on Religious Literature  
 11:10—11:25— Roll Call of Messengers and Miscellaneous  
 11:25—12:15— Annual Sermon — A. C. Moody

### Noon Recess

- 1:00— 1:15— Devotional  
 1:15— 1:45— Woman's Work  
 1:45— 3:15— Report on Missions (Associational, State, Home  
 and Foreign)  
 3:15— 3:30— Closing Worship

### POPLAR GROVE

**Wednesday, August 29, 1951**

- 9:00— 9:15— Opening Worship  
 9:15— 9:45— Report on Associational Progress  
 9:45—11:15— Christian Education (Sunday Schools, Baptist  
 Training Union, Brotherhood and Colleges)  
 11:15—11:30— Election of Officers and Miscellaneous  
 11:30—12:15— Sermon — C. H. Kincaid

### Noon Recess

- 1:15— 1:30— Devotional  
 1:30— 2:45— Report on Benevolences (Orphanage, Hospital and  
 Old Ministers' Relief)  
 2:45— 3:15— Report of Treasurer, Finance Committee, Nomina-  
 tions, Resolutions and Time, Place and Preach-  
 er)  
 3:15— 3:35— Memorial Service  
 3:35— 4:00— Miscellaneous, Reading of Minutes and Closing  
 Worship

## ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY

### Officers

R. C. Eggers, Moderator and Colporteur	Zionville
Wade E. Brown, Vice-Moderator	Boone
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treas.	Boone
W. J. Farthing, Historian and B. T. U. Director	Sugar Grove
C. J. Farthing, Sunday School Director & Song Leader	Boone
C. O. Vance, Hospital Director	Vilas
Russell D. Hodges, Orphanage Director	Boone
Mrs. Blanche Perry, Assoc. Missionary & Librarian	Sherwood
Ira S. Ayers, Brotherhood Director	Boone

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Wade E. Brown, Chairman	Boone
S. C. Eggers	Boone



Dallas Wilson	Reese
I. B. Wilson	Zionville
Ralph Beshears	Boone
R. C. Eggers	Zionville
Clyde R. Greene	Boone

**ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE**

C. O. Vance	Vilas
Harold Songer	Sherwood
Raymond Hendrix	Boone

**PROMOTION COMMITTEE**

Composed of all the Pastors and the following:

M. L. Shephers, Sugar Grove	Carl Wilson, Trade Tenn.
Stacy Ward, Beech Creek	M. P. Ward, Rominger
Edmond Farthing, Sugar Grove	Kent Brown, Blowing Rock
Luther Oliver, Adams	James Miller, Vilas
W. W. Austin, Shulls Mills	Gordon Sherwood, Vilas
Lloyd Miller, Tamarack	J. G. Johnson, Reese
Russell Garland, Trade, Tenn.	Edmond Cheek, Brownwood
Fonza Tester, Sugar Grove	Ned Norris, Boone
Joe L. Coffey, Jr., Laxon	M. L. Warren, Jr., Mabel
M. C. Brown, Boone	Dale Woodie, Blowing Rock
Collis Greene, Reese	Wm. Puckett, Banner Elk
Albert Tester, Beech Creek	T. T. Danner, Valle Crucis
L. M. Hodges, Adams	Woodrow Greene, Boone
Lawrence Wilson, Zionville	Collis Austin, Shulls Mills
Lloyd Bryan, Zionville	Forace Moretz, Zionville
Howard Parlier, Boone	C. M. Shore, Shulls Mills
E. R. Mikael, Todd	Harlen Greene, Deep Gap
Mrs. K. W. Brown, Boone	James Austin, Boone
Spencer May, Reese	Grover Norris, Mabel
H. H. Shook, Banner Elk	Doughton Greene, Vilas
Cannon Ward, Sugar Grove	Roby Presnell, Valle Crucis
Roy Martin, Zionville	

**COMMITTEES TO REPORT AT 1951 SESSION**

Associational Progress	S. C. Eggers and Clyde R. Greene
Benevolences	Harold Songer and Fred Hagaman
Christian Education	C. H. Kincaid and Ronda Earp
Memorial Service	Marshal Ward and Eynum Trivett
Missions	C. O. Vance and Victor Trivett
Public Morals	N. M. Greene and W. J. Cook
Religious Literature	W. G. Bond and L. H. Hagaman
Resolutions	W. C. Payne and Smith Harman
Woman's Work	Mrs. Nora Wilson and Mrs. C. O. Vance

**BAPTIST TRAINING UNION ORGANIZATION**

Director	W. J. Farthing, Sugar Grove
Associate Director	I. B. Wilson, Zionville
Secretary-Treas.	Mrs. Carrie Lee Dickson, Boone

Choister .....	Wm. Hodges, Boone
Pianist .....	Mrs. Bettie Jean Hughes, Boone
Pastor - Advisor .....	C. O. Vance, Vilas
Adult Leader .....	C. J. Farthing, Boone
Young Peoples Leader .....	Tom Lawrence, Sugar Grove
Intermediate Leader .....	Mrs. Nora Wilson, Zionville
Junior Leader .....	Mrs. Maxie Edmisten, Vilas
Story Hour Leader .....	Mrs. C. O. Vance, Vilas
Group Directors: J. M. Burkett, Mabel; Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone; Vance Culler, Adams; Grady Wilson, Boone.	

### SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

Superintendent .....	C. J. Farthing, Boone
Associate Superintendent .....	W. J. Farthing, Sugar Grove
Associate Superintendent .....	Kent K. Brown, Blowing Rock
Associate Superintendent .....	C. O. Vance, Vilas
Associate Superintendent .....	Mrs. Dortha Greene, Sugar Grove
Secretary-Treas. ....	Clyde R. Greene, Boone
Pianist .....	Mrs. Betty Jean Hughes, Boone
Choister .....	Wm. Hodges, Boone
Group Superintendents: Paul Winkler, Boone; Grady Wilson, Boone; Edgar Edmisten, Sugar Grove; I. B. Wilson, Zion- ville.	
Cradle Roll Superintendent .....	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams
Beginners Superintendent .....	Mrs. W. G. Bond, Boone
Primary Superintendent .....	Mrs. Maxie Edmisten, Vilas
Junior Superintendent .....	Mrs. Nora Wilson, Zionville
Intermediate Superintendent —	
Young Peoples Superintendent —	
Adult Superintendent .....	Ralph Beshears, Boone

### WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION ORGANIZATION

Superintendent .....	Mrs. A. E. Moretz, Boone
Assistant Superintendent .....	Mrs. C. J. Farthing, Boone
Secretary - Treas. ....	Mrs. Don C. Perry, Sherwood
Young Peoples' Leader .....	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville
R. A. Councilor .....	John Ward
Mission Study Chairman .....	Mrs. Frank Miller, Boone
Community Mission Chairman .....	Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone
Margaret Fund and W. M. U. —	
Training School Chairman .....	Mrs. Oscar Harris, Blowing Rock
Stewardship Chairman .....	Mrs. Fred Edmisten
Library and Literature Chairman —	

### ORDAINED MINISTERS

Bethel — E. J. Farthing, .....	Sugar Grove
Boone — W. G. Bond .....	Boone
Wiley Smith .....	Boone
D. M. Edmisten .....	Boone
Brushy Fork — A. C. Moody .....	Vilas
Ronda Earp .....	Vilas
Grady Minton .....	Vilas

Cool Springs — W. C. Payne .....	Blowing Rock
Howard Shore .....	Boone
Cove Creek — Harold Songer .....	Sherwood
James C. Sherwood .....	APO San Francisco, Calif.
Elk Knob — Hiram Phillips .....	Trout
Noah Johnson .....	Todd
Forest Grove — Fred Hagaman .....	Vilas
Dave Greene .....	Vilas
Friendship — Cartie Eggers .....	Trade, Tenn.
Glenn South .....	Trade, Tenn.
Laurel Springs — W. C. Greene .....	Laxon
J. L. Greene .....	Benge
Mabel — Barney Oliver .....	Mabel
Meat Camp — N. M. Greene .....	Boone
A. E. Moretz .....	Boone
Middle Fork — R. H. Shore .....	Blowing Rock
James Matney —	
John Ward .....	Boone
Mount Calvary — Roby Painter .....	Balm
Mount Gilead — Albert Tester .....	Beech Creek
Mount Lebanon — T. T. Danner .....	Valle Crucis
Perkinsville — C. H. Kincaid .....	Boone
Tipton Greene .....	Boone
Pleasant Grove — John Hagaman .....	Zionville
Rutherwood — A. B. Church .....	Boone
Stony Fork — H. H. Smith .....	Deep Gap
Bynum Trivett .....	Stony Fork
Three Forks — Raymond Hendrix .....	Boone
Ben Wood .....	Boone
Willowdale — C. O. Vance .....	Vilas
Zion Hill — L. H. Hagaman .....	Beech Creek
Zionville — R. C. Eggers .....	Zionville
Dewey Trivett .....	Zionville

### LICENTIATES

Bethany — A. T. Watson .....	Rominger
Brushy Fork — Earl Colvard .....	Vilas
South Fork — Page Norris .....	Todd
Timbered Ridge — John Ward .....	Reese
Willow Valley — Oscar Ward .....	Sugar Grove

### MESSENGERS

ANTIOCH — W. D. Harmon, Howard Cable and Bessie Ward
BEAVER DAM — Dallas Wilson, Clay Robinson and Lee Swift
BEECH VALLEY — Asa McGuire, Geo. Harmon and Sam Ward
BETHANY — M. P. Ward, Jim Michael and Hoza Greer
BETHEL — W. R. Vines, Wm. Farthing and Edmond Farthing
BLOWING ROCK — K. K. Brown, Mrs. R. R. Garvey and J. H. Winkler
BOONE — Clyde R. Greene, S. C. Eggers and Wade E. Brown
BRUSHY FORK — Retha Wilson, Howard Dancey and Ralph Hayes

- COOL SPRINGS — Howard Shore, M. L. West and Lowell Cook
- CLARK'S CREEK — Basil Tester, Robert Greene and Mrs. Basil Tester
- COVE CREEK — Nora Wilson, Maude Perry and Florence Songer
- ELK KNOB — Lloyd Miller, Lester Eller and Kay Brown
- FOREST GROVE — Lloyd Roark, Paul Carpenter and Dave Greene
- FRIENDSHIP — Roby Stevens, Russell Garland and Jim Wilson
- GAP CREEK — A. G. Miller, Edmond Cheek and Thos. Fairchild
- GREEN VALLEY — Albert Ward, John Wood and Fonza Tester
- HOWARDS CREEK — Watson Tester, J. E. Norris and Howard Miller
- LAUREL SPRINGS — Vollie Nichols, E. B. Hardin and Herman Miller
- Mabel — R. H. Townsend, Chas. Younce and Mrs. R. H. Townsend
- MEAT CAMP — Mr. and Mrs. Edward Greene and Mrs. Ennis Byers
- MIDDLE FORK — Blum Triplett, J. L. Shore and Dale Woods
- MOUNTAIN DALE — Clay Phillips, Clyde Cornett and Roy Norris
- MOUNT CALVARY — Richard Smith, W. H. Shoemaker and Mrs. George Whitehead
- MOUNT GILEAD — Lonnie Ward, Arnold Ward, and G. M. Lawrence
- MOUNT LEBANON — John Earp, I. N. Minton and S. B. Hayes
- OAK GROVE — L. M. Hodges, D. C. Michael and Wm. Hodges
- PERKINSVILLE — Gureny Norris, Ernest Moody, Ralph Hartley
- PLEASANT GROVE — Everette Culler, Pat Lawrence and Glenn Tester
- POPLAR GROVE — Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Hodges and Wm. Day
- PROFFIT GROVE — L. E. Wilson, W. A. Proffit and Arlie Bryan
- RICH MOUNTAIN — Luther Moretz, Forace Moretz and Stacy Tester
- RUTHERWOOD — S. B. Brown, Annie Ragan and F. C. Norris
- SHULLS MILLS — Ernest White, I. J. Ford and Spencer Day
- SOUTH FORK — Leslie Norris, Ed Jones and Eugene Seatz
- STONY FORK — Lawrence Greene, Judson Greene and Arland Miller
- TABERNACLE — K. W. Brown, Milton Moretz and Coy Norris
- THREE FORKS — Mrs. Roby Greer, A. J. Edmisten and James Austin
- TIMBERED RIDGE — John Ward, Grady Smitherman and Lloyd Dishman
- UNION — Frank Main, Ivan Younce and Graydon Campbell
- WHITE ROCK — Hade Smith, H. H. Shook and Mrs. H. H. Shook



WILLOWDALE — R. M. Greene, I. A. Bumgarner and Roy Hicks  
WILLOW VALLEY — G. C. Ward, Carlie Greene and Iva Lee Harmon  
ZION HILL — V. C. Hamon, Lewis Harmon and Ronald Ward  
ZIONVILLE — Andrew May, W. K. Wilson and Ed Bumgardner

## Constitution

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who, on producing letters from their respective church certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, the ministers being *ex-officio*.

2. In the letters from the different churches is to be expressed their numbers in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed by letter, excommunicated and dead since last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any special power over the churches. They shall not infringe upon any internal right of any church in this Union.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and clerk who shall be chosen annually by the suffrage of the members present.

5. New churches or any regular church of Christ being legally dismissed by letter by any sister Association upon application and delegates, shall be admitted to our Union.

6. Every church in the Association shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

7. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be once read and before it is debated the Moderator shall put it to a vote, and if there is a majority for it being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and be debated, but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of their proceedings. The best method of accomplishing this purpose shall be at the direction of the future Associations

10. We think it is absolutely necessary that we should have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For the raising and supporting of which we think it to be the duty of each church in the Union to contribute annually such sums as they may think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association. The money thus raised shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer, appointed by the Association, who shall be accountable for the same. He shall pay the money out from time to time as the Association may direct.



11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for his services.

12. The minutes of this Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and the Clerk before the Association rises.

13. Amendments to the plans or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association when they deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months prior notice.

14. The Association shall have power:

To provide for the general union of the churches.

To endeavor to preserve a chain of union amongst the churches.

To give the churches the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

To appropriate the money contributed by the churches for an Associational fund to any purpose they may think proper.

To have power to withdraw from any church in their Union who shall violate the rules of this Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

To correspond with sister Associations.

To invite any Baptist in the ministry to a seat in the Association, who may be present at the time of their sitting.

To adjourn the Association to any future time and place they may think proper and most convenient to the churches of the Union.

## Rules Of Decorum

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

3. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect upon the person who spoke before him as to make remarks on his steps, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state the matter as he can do so as to give his views or ideas.

4. No person shall abruptly break or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

5. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on any one subject without liberty from the Association.

6. No member shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same or whispering in the time of public speaking.

7. No member shall address another in any other appellation than that of brother.

8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, or

prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

9. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as required by the Association.

10. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any of the other members, provided the chair be filled. He shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE**  
**ONE HUNDRED TENTH ANNUAL SESSION**  
**THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**  
**OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
**HELD WITH PERKINSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**BOONE, N. C.**  
**TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 1950**  
**AND WITH THREE FORKS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**BOONE, N. C.**  
**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30, 1950**  
**FIRST DAY — TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 1950**  
**MORNING SESSION**

1. The One Hundred Tenth Annual Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina met with Perkinsville Baptist church, Boone, N. C. at 9:10 a. m.

2. J. C. Farthing led the opening song service, after which C. O. Vance conducted the worship service which was closed with prayer by Grady Minton, Smith Hagaman and C. O. Vance.

3. The Moderator, R. C. Eggers, called the One Hundred Tenth Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association to order for the transaction of the business of the session.

4. R. C. Eggers delivered the Moderator's Address using as his subject "Evangelism." This address is summarized as follows:

1. He that winneth souls is wise.
2. The soul winner must be spirit filled.
3. The soul winner must be clean.
4. The soul winner must exercise faith.

5. Wade E. Brown, Chairman of the Executive Committee, presented the report of the Executive Committee on "Suggested Order of Business for the 1950 Session." The report was adopted as read with the provision that the Moderator be empowered to make any necessary changes as the Session progressed.

6. Kent K. Brown offered the report on Public Morals. He discussed the report, followed by Smith Hagaman and it was adopted.

**REPORT ON PUBLIC MORALS**

It is now 1950 and the Baptists of the Three Forks Association again assemble to take stock of our work for the past year. This report on Public Morals can't possibly show con-

ditions in detail as they really are today; because over the wide world we are certainly at a low ebb so far as morals are concerned.

There is only one reason for this-people everywhere are turning their faces away from God. In the United States one out of twelve attend church. Here in Watauga county the percentage of those attending church is much higher. Seven out of ten children drop out of church and church work by the time they are fifteen years old.

Our people spend one and one half billion dollars on shows. Our people drink two million gallons of strong drink annually. About 55 per cent of our young people are drinking. Crime marches on - marriage failures increase - five billion for education - fifteen billion for crime.

We surely know the remedy as Christians but are we willing to make the personal application of the only remedy that has the slightest change to cure?

Respectfully submitted,

O. J. HARRIS  
KENT K. BROWN.

7. The report of the Executive Committee was read by Wade E. Brown. The four recommendations contained in the report were discussed item by item by C. J. Farthing, Clyde R. Greene, W. G. Bond and Wade E. Brown and the report was adopted.

### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Your Executive Committee met September 25, 1949 for the purpose of preparing, "A Suggested Order of Business for the 1950 Session." We next met April 9, 1950 to make plans for the Spring Session of the Association which was held May 2, 1950 with Pleasant Grove Baptist Church. Our last meeting of the Associational year was held July 30, 1950 to make plans for the present session.

Your committee recommends the following for your consideration.

1. That the Associational Missionary work be reinstated and that the Moderator appoint a committee of three pastors to supervise the work. This committee shall make regular reports of the work to the Executive Committee.

2. That the 1950 session through its Nominating Committee select a Promotion Committee to consist of one layman from each of our churches and the pastors and that the said Promotion Committee shall meet quarterly upon the call of its Chairman who is to be elected by the members of the Committee at its first meeting.

3. That our churches give due consideration to the request of the N. C. Baptist Hospital for funds to erect the New Wing in Winston-Salem.

4. That our churches consider only one man at a time when

calling a Pastor and that it is more profitable for both church and pastor for the call to be indefinite.

Respectfully submitted,

WADE E. BROWN, CHAIRMAN.

8. Harold Songer brought the report on Religious Literature. This report was adopted after being discussed by Harold Songer, Claude Gaddy and Mrs. Don Perry, Associational Librarian.

**REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE**

Realizing the influence of what we read upon our activity and thought, we offer the following suggestions:

1. That all Christians spend some time in Bible study each day.
2. That all Christians use prayerful discrimination in their other reading and that they witness in pure reading as well as pure living.
3. That every Christian carefully supervise the literature used in their home by the banning of the objectionable and the providing of wholesome material.
4. That all our churches maintain a library and encourage its use.
5. That our churches use the literature distributed by the Southern Baptist Convention and encourage a fuller circulation of our state publications.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD SONGER,  
BLANCHE PERRY,  
W. F. SMITH.

**REPORT OF LIBRARIAN 1949-50**

Churches with Libraries visited .....	11
New Churches visited .....	6
Total .....	17
Libraries reported 1949 .....	17
Libraries disbanded .....	2
Libraries organized .....	2
Total 1950 .....	17
Respectfully submitted,	

BLANCHE PERRY, LIBRARIAN.

9. The Moderator called for visitors to announce themselves and the following responded:

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Middleton, Yadkin Association; Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Costner, Newland Baptist Church; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Gragg, Stony Fork Association; Frank Richardson and Hubert Dixon, Gardner—Webb College; Claude F. Gaddy, Ex. Secretary Baptist Council on Christian Education.

Mrs. John Wacaster, W. M. U. Representative of N. C.; J. C. Canipe, Secretary of Evangelism N. C.; Smith Hagaman, Winston-Salem.



10. The Moderator recognized and introduced the following new pastors:

A. C. Moody — Brushy Fork and Middle Fork.  
E. O. Gore — Pleasant Grove.

11. The roll of churches, messengers and pastors was called by the clerk. The Moderator appointed the following committees to report at this session:

FINANCE — K. K. Brown and L. M. Hodges.

NOMINATIONS — C. J. Farthing and S. C. Eggers.

TIME, PLACE and PREACHER — M. P. Ward, Albert Ward, Mrs. A. E. Moretz, Howard Dancey and George Harmon.

12. After a song by the congregation Raymond Hendrix, the appointee to preach the Annual Sermon, requested W. J. Cook to lead prayer.

Bro. Hendrix read a scriptural lesson and announced his subject, "Today's Gospel Challenges." He enumerated eleven of them as follows:

1. The love of money.
  2. Conforming to this world.
  3. The lives of church members.
  4. Indifference on part of church members.
  5. Many in church who are not saved.
  6. Men do not desire the truth.
  7. Many fail to move under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.
  8. Lack of preparation on part of church members for the work.
  9. The world presents the easy way.
  10. The churches are failing to demand a high standard of Christian living on the part of their members.
  11. Neglect to administer to the poor and needy.
- Ronda Earp led in prayer at the close of the sermon.
13. The Association adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by R. C. Cook.

#### NOON RECESS

14. The Association reconvened at 1:15 p. m. after the messengers and visitors enjoyed a bountiful dinner served in the basement of the church. A. C. Moody conducted the devotional service. Victor Trivett led in prayer.

15. Mrs. Nora M. Wilson offered the report on Woman's Work. This report was adopted after being discussed by Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. John Wacaster, W. M. U. Representative.

#### W. M. U. REPORT

"To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death; to guide our feet into the way of peace," the word of God spoken through Zacharias in Luke 1:79 is the W. M. U. watchword for the year. The organizations of Woman's Missionary Union — Woman's Missionary Society, Young Woman's Auxiliary, Girls Auxiliary, Royal Ambassador and Sunbeam Band — seek to be helpers in carrying out the



commission implied in the watchword, to point mankind to Christ who is light and peace to all who accept his free gift of salvation. This we do through the practice of the following fundamentals: Prayer individual and united; Stewardship of life which includes tithes and offerings; Study of the Bible and world missions; community missions the purpose of which is to win souls and other spiritual results in the community; and the missionary education of young people.

Also, the Rallies and Camps provide participation, training and study vital in the Christian education of young people. An Associational Rally was held in October with a good attendance. The young people gave the program, climaxed in the address by Miss Alda Grayson, Missionary to China. Thirty five boys and thirty-seven girls attended camp-the R. A. on May 26,27 and the G. A. on June 2, 3, taking part in the activities centered around the theme, "The Whole Wide World For Christ." We are grateful for the interest of the Brotherhoods in sponsoring these Associational camps.

Other opportunities are provided for the Christian growth of our young people through the Forward Steps for girls and the Ranks for boys in which they are encouraged to read information about Baptists and their work at home and in foreign lands. Upon completion of each step of the work they are recognized in Coronation and Recognition Services which are inspirational, beautiful and helpful both to the young people and those attending.

The Woman's Missionary Union is an Auxiliary, a helper, and that is our desire - to be a helper in giving the message of the Saviour to the world and in all activities to be Laborers Together With God.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Nora M. Wilson

16. Dr. J. C. Canipe brought a message on the subject of Evangelism bringing to the Association the plans for a simultaneous revival to be conducted in all our churches East of the Mississippi river during 1951 beginning in March.

17. W. G. Bond read the report on missions and led the discussion. The report was further discussed by M. A. Huggins, Secretary State Baptist Convention and Smith Hagaman and was adopted.

### MISSIONS REPORT

The World has suddenly gotten very close together. Looking at a map of the world we now see by the air in a straight line the world becomes very close together. What goes on in one part of the world affects us whether we realize this or not. Jesus must have seen this day for he proclaimed the field is the world. He came to be the saviour of the world. His commission says start at home but don't quit until you have carried the message around the world. If there is any reason for us to be scared at world conditions today it is that we have failed to give the gospel to the world and now un-

suspectingly the world is at our door with all of its heathenism.

The program of Jesus was to start with his followers and inspire them to so love God and focus their attention on his program that it would of its own accord reach out to those around them. The gospel has that power if we will concentrate our attention here. If ours is a spiritual family it has spiritual power that goes beyond its own doors to the doors of the world. If we love God enough we will love the peoples of the

world enough to give them the gospel.

The means by which we give the gospel to the surroundings in which we live is important. For twenty five years Southern Baptists have had a unified program by which it might minister to the home territory, the southland and the world. On a percentage basis we have worked to help as many causes as were possible. It meant training our people at home and preparing them to go out as preachers, missionaries and educational workers in many fields. On this twenty-fifth anniversary it is indeed worthwhile to look at the progress which has been made. The world has been astounded at the progress Southern Baptists have made and today we have won the acclaim by our growth of religious leaders in other denominations. Outstanding strides have been made in evangelism and numerical growth. Other denominations now fervently expect us to be able to report within another year a membership of 7 and one half millions. Much of our growth has been due to the consistent way we have taken care of the needs of our growing institutions and our advancing mission program. Southern Baptists are looking forward to 1750 missionaries on the field. The cooperative program is the means by which we have sought to carry out work at home and abroad.

Some basis facts must be faced. We must do a better job at home if we expect to do a better job around the world. Our volunteers for missions come from home churches. If we are not training our young people for this great task then we will fail abroad. Another basis fact is this: Can it be that here in America we had rather see people go to hell while we rationalize our position and fill our banks with our deposits? Then in later years we have to pray the price of our folly by sending our boys to pay the price of our sins. Still another basic fact is that we can not confine the gospel. It will go out of its own accord. That little band of Jesus disciples must have been astounded when the commission came to go to the whole world. And yet if they thought long enough they would have remembered. The Greeks who came to see Jesus. Already his gospel was going out.

W. G. BOND,  
DALLAS WILSON.

18. The Association recessed to meet tomorrow at Three Forks Baptist Church at 9:00 a. m., benediction by C. H. Kincaid.

**SECOND DAY — WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30, 1950  
THREE FORKS BAPTIST CHURCH, BOONE, N. C.**

**MORNING SESSION**

19. The Moderator called the Association to order at 9:10 a. m. After the opening song service conducted by Victor Trivett, C. H. Kincaid led in prayer.

20. Clyde R. Greene read the report on Associational Progress and led the discussion. The report was further discussed by Bynum Trivett and Smith Hagaman and was adopted.

**REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL PROGRESS**

	1949	1950	Gain or Loss
Church Membership	7,653	7944	291 Gain
Number of Baptisms	396	383	13 Loss
Sunday School Enrollment	5,573	5807	234 Gain
WMU Membership	462	457	5 Loss
BTU Membership	1,109	1091	18 Loss
Local Contributions	100,374.71	92,819.99	7554.72 Loss
Missions & Benevolences	12,908.26	13,252.57	344.31 Gain
Total Contributions	113,282.97	106,072.56	7210.41 Loss

39 churches reported baptisms; 14 churches reported BTU's; 10 churches reported WMU's; 4 churches reported brotherhoods with an enrollment of 143.

Respectfully reported,  
RONDA EARP,  
CLYDE R. GREENE.

21. The report on Christian Education was offered by C. O. Vance. This report was discussed by C. O. Vance, W. J. Farthing, Jennie Mast, student at Mars Hill College; Pat Mast, student at Wake Forest College; J. C. Canipe, M. H. Kendall and Claude F. Gaddy and the report was adopted.

**REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

Never before in the history of our nation has there been so great an educational program, neither has there ever been such a great need for Christian education as there is today. Education someone has said, is "Directed growth." Christian education then is "directed Christian growth."

The leaders of our homes, our nation and our world need to be genuinely Christian at heart and trained under Christian leadership in order that their thinking and actions may be sincerely Christian. This training can come only through Christian leadership in the home, the church and the school, by parents and teachers who know the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior. Education without Christ Jesus is not Christian.

The homes and the churches are God's greatest institutions for Christian training. We should emphasize by precept, by example and by every way possible, the building and maintenance of Christian homes. All the organizations of the Church; the Sunday School; Baptist Training Union; the Vacation Bible School; the Brotherhood; and the Woman's Missionary Union,

should exist for and be engaged in Christian Education.

If our thinking and actions are right, they must come from hearts that are Christian who have been instructed in the principles of the New Testament. This must be done not only through the homes and the Church, but also through Church supported and church controlled schools. Baptists of Three Forks Association and of North Carolina must awake to the fact that we have a duty, are obligated an opportunity under God to support, with our co-operation, money, and every effort possible, our Baptist School of the State.

It is interesting to know that the Baptist of North Carolina have supported colleges since 1834, when Wake Forest was first opened. We now have seven (7) fine colleges with a total of 5,000 students, most of whom are Baptists of our North Carolina homes and churches. By actual count 4,000 of these students are members of Baptist churches, who will become our leaders as they leave college and return to some community to take up whatever work they may select or can secure. The kind of leaders they will be is dependent on what we will do for them today.

Let Baptist educate in New Testament principles. Let us make stronger our homes, our churches and our colleges, that our people may receive a Christian Education for the glory of God. Let us as parents, pastors and church leaders do more to influence more of our fine young people to dedicate and train themselves for active Christian service in whatever they do in life.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. O. VANCE.

22. The election of officers being the next item of business C. J. Farthing nominated R. C. Eggers for Moderator. No other nominations having been made Smith Hagaman cast the vote of the Association for him and was declared elected Moderator. Other officers as follows were elected: Wade E. Brown, Vice-Moderator; Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treasurer; W. J. Farthing, Historian and B. T. U. Directors; C. J. Farthing, Song Leader and S. S. Superintendent; C. O. Vance, Hospital Director; Russell D. Hodges, Orphanage Director; R. C. Eggers, Colporteur; Ira Ayers, Brotherhood Director; Mrs. Blanche Perry, Librarian and Associational Missionary.

23. The congregation sang "Amazing Grace" and the Moderator recognized Bynum Trivett, the appointee to preach on the second day of the session. Bro. Trivett requested Herring Crisp to lead prayer after which he read Eph. 6:10-20 and announced his subject, "Put on the Whole Armour of God and Stand." He pointed out the following:

1. We should stand for God and His Kingdom.
2. We should put on the whole armour of God.
  - A. Have thy lions girded by truth
  - B. Have on the breastplate of righteousness
  - C. Wear the helmet of salvation
  - D. Have feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of



Peace

E. Use the shield of faith

3. We should accept the directions of the Holy Spirit.

4. Thus directed by the power of God we should walk in His ways living and testifying for Him.

24. The Association recessed for noon, benediction by W. G. Bond.

**NOON RECESS**

25. After partaking of a bountiful dinner served on the lawn the Association reconvened at 1:15 p. m. E. O. Gore conducted the devotional service.

26. Clyde R. Greene read the report for the Committee on Benevolences. The report was discussed by E. C. Wilkie of the Kennedy Home; W. K. McGhee of the Baptist Hospital, W. G. Bond and D. M. Edmisten and it was adopted.

**REPORT ON BENEVOLENCES**

Under this name are grouped The Baptist Orphanage, The Baptist Hospital and the Old Ministers Relief.

When John the Baptist sent two of his followers to Jesus to inquire of Him if he were the Christ, Jesus replied, "Go your way and tell John what things ye have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached."

We have the opportunity to be Christ minded in our support of the above objects. What is our record? In 1947 we gave \$4020.86 to the Orphanages and \$825.24 to the Hospital; in 1948 we gave \$4,626.82 to the Orphanage and \$813.81 to the Hospital; in 1949 we gave \$3,569.40 to the Orphanage and \$939.05 to the Hospital; in 1950—this year—we gave \$3,321.12 to the Orphanage and \$1,309.85 to the Hospital. This is about 1 1-4 cent per week per member for our membership. A package of cigarettes costs 15 times as much as a member of the Three Forks Association pays per week for our program of benevolences. Are we satisfied with our record?

Respectfully submitted,  
 BYNUM TRIVETT,  
 L. H. HAGAMAN.

27. The Treasurer, Clyde R. Greene, read his report which was adopted as follows:

**GENERAL ASSOCIATIONAL FUND**

RECEIPTS —

Minute fund from churches .....	\$210.80	
Special collection 1949 .....	33.02	\$243.82

DISBURSEMENTS —

Overdraft 1949 .....	60.84	
1000 Minutes .....	167.50	
Clerk .....	40.00	
Postage .....	3.25	
Programs 1949 session .....	6.50	278.09
Overdraft .....		34.27



**ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY FUND****RECEIPTS —**

Balance 1949 .....	.68	
Boone church .....	300.00	\$300.68

**DISBURSEMENTS —**

Balance Miss Davis's salary .....	94.60	
Balance cash on hand .....		\$206.08

28. A collection to apply on overdraft was taken amounting to \$22.20.

29. L. M. Hodges offered the report of the Finance Committee which was adopted.

**REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Received from churches for Minute fund .....	\$225.78
Paid to Treasurer .....	\$225.78

30. C. J. Farthing read the report of the Nominating Committee which was adopted and is given in the Associational Directory.

31. N. M. Greene brought the report on Resolutions which was adopted.

**REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS**

We, your Committee on Resolutions, submit the following: Perhaps never in the history of time have we needed consecrated men and women as we do now. The cause of Christ is suffering for the lack of this consecration. We are prone to quibble over little things and overlook the main issue, which is **EVANGELISM**. We recommend to the messenger of all our churches that we go back home with renewed determination to give more of our time, talents and money. The Bible says it is more blessed to give than to receive. God says to honor the Lord with thy substance. Let us resolve to pray without ceasing for the salvation of the lost and our work in general.

Resolved that this Association give its thanks to Perkinsville and Three Forks Churches and communities for the fine hospitality shown the Association during our One Hundred Tenth Session and that the Association extend its thanks to our officers for their efficient services for the past year and during this session.

Respectfully submitted,

N. M. Greene,  
A. E. Moretz.

32. Mrs. A. E. Moretz read the report on Time, Place and Preacher. The report was adopted.

**REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER**

**TIME** — Tuesday and Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in August 1951.

**PLACE** — First day, Beech Valley Baptist church; second day, Poplar Grove Baptist church.

PREACHERS — First day, A. C. Moody, Alternate N. M. Greene; second day, C. H. Kincaid, Alternate Harold Songer.

33. Clyde R. Greene read the report of the Memorial Committee. C. O. Vance read a scriptural lesson and conducted the Memorial Service for the 48 members who have "Crossed the River" since our last session.

34. By motion made and duly passed the Clerk was directed to prepare the manuscript of the minutes, have 1000 copies printed, and distribute them to the churches. For this service he is to receive \$40.00.

35. The Executive Committee is constituted the committee on "Order of Business for the 1951 Session."

36. Herring Crisp conducted the closing worship service and the One Hundred Tenth Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association adjourned, benediction by Glenn Huffman.

R. C. EGGERS, MODERATOR,  
CLYDE R. GREENE, CLERK.

## Obituaries

Dedicated to the members who have died since our last session.

ANTIOCH —

Mrs. Mary Billings, Mrs. Vertie Love, Mr. Joe Ward.

BEECH VALLEY —

Mrs. Nancy Ward.

BETHEL —

Mrs. Jennie Norris, Mr. James Cornett.

BRUSHY FORK —

Mrs. Hannah Ragan, Mrs. Maggie Campbell, Mrs. Caroline Presnell.

COOL SPRINGS —

Mrs. Floyd Greene.

LAUREL SPRINGS —

Mrs. Ellen Greene, Mr. P. G. Carroll, Mrs. Matisha McNeill.  
Mr. C. M. Watson, Mr. B. H. Gross, Mr. Dell Richardson.

MABEL —

Mrs. Lottie Burkett.

MEAT CAMP —

Mrs. Dora Greene, Mrs. Nannie Ragan, Mrs. Laura Jones,  
Mrs. Jane Norris, Mr. J. L. Lewis.

MOUNTAIN DALE —

Mr. Charlie Phillips.

MOUNT CALVARY —

Mr. J. C. Greer, Mrs. Hattie Coffey, Mrs. Florence McGuire.

PLEASANT GROVE —

Mrs. Melvina Culler, Mrs. Susann Adams, Mr. James Warren, Mr. John Sanders.

RICH MOUNTAIN —

Mrs. Martha Penley.

**RUTHERWOOD —**

Mr. Noah Carroll, Mr. Fred H. Michael.

**SHULLS MILLS —**

Mr. Murphy Dyer.

**STONY FORK —**

Mrs. B. F. Greene.

**TABERNACLE —**

Mr. B. H. Phillips, Mrs. Litha Norris.

**THREE FORKS —**

Mr. L. L. Critcher, Mr. J. C. Greene, Mr. J. C. Brookshire,  
Mrs. J. C. Brookshire.

**UNION —**

Mr. Ray Norris, Mrs. Sarahann Swift, Mrs. Julia Johnson.

**WILLOWDALE —**

Mrs. Frank Eggers, Mr. F. C. Ward, Mr. Clyde Elliott.

**WILLOW VALLEY —**

Mr. Amos Phillips.

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### **PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPRING SESSION OF THE THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OF NORTH CAROLINA**

1. The Spring session of the Three Forks Baptist Association met with Pleasant Grove Baptist church, Zionville, N. C., Tuesday, May 2, 1950 at 10:00 a. m.

2. Gordon Hodges led the opening song service and the Moderator, R. C. Eggers, called the session to order.

3. Ronda Earp conducted the opening worship service and requested Grady Minton to lead in prayer.

4. S. C. Eggers presented the program for the Spring session which was adopted as read.

5. The subject of "Personal Evangelism Through Cottage Prayer Meetings" was discussed by Gene Sherwood. After the discussion C. J. Farthing offered prayer.

6. Harold Songer stressed the fact that Cottage Prayer Meetings are a medium of developing those who lead into greater Christian service.

7. C. O. Vance brought a message on, "The Brotherhood as an Evangelistic Agency."

8. W. G. Bond reported on the organization of the Three Forks Associational Brotherhood.

9. S. C. Eggers spoke of the Brotherhood as an organization to further the work of the Kingdom of God.

10. The Moderator recognized the twelve ministers present.

11. Twenty churches responded to the roll call by Clyde R. Greene.

12. Rev. W. F. Woodall, pastor of the College Avenue Baptist church, Lenoir, N. C. was recognized by the Moderator. Bro. Woodall brought an inspiring message on Evangelism using as his subject, "The Revival We Need."

13. Adjourned for noon recess, benediction by Ben Wood.

**NOON RECESS**

14. The session reconvened at 1:15 p. m., Ben Wood conducting the song service and Oscar Harris the devotional service.

15. W. G. Bond brought a message on, "Promoting Evangelism Through the Womans Missionary Union."

16. Mrs. Blanche Perry spoke on the subject, "Promoting Evangelism Through Reading."

17. The subject, "Promoting Evangelism Through Camp Activities" was discussed by Mrs. Nora M. Wilson.

18. Harold Songer discussed, "The Place of Women in the Evangelistic Program of the Church."

19. Thanks were expressed through a resolution to the Pleasant Grove Church and community for their hospitality in entertaining the Spring Session of our Association.

20. The Clerk was directed to write Bro. Woodall thanking him for his splendid message. A collection to defray his expenses was taken amounting to \$10.24 which was sent to him.

21. The Spring Session adjourned, benediction by R. C. Eggers.

R. C. EGGERS, Moderator  
CLYDE R. GREENE, Clerk.

**MINUTES OF THE  
WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION  
THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

The Woman's Missionary Union of Three Forks Association met in its Thirty-Seventh Annual Session with Stony Fork Baptist Church, April 22, 1950.

The meeting was called to order by the Superintendent, Mrs. A. E. Moretz, and was opened by singing "Jesus Shall Reign."

Rev. Harold Songer led in the devotional, stressing the day's theme "Abounding in the Work of the Lord."

The Superintendent gave a special welcome to the visitors; Mrs. John Wacaster, State Representative from Raleigh; Miss Mary Eller Wooten, Missionary from Nyeria; Mrs. Kenneth Forbes, Blowing Rock and Florida; the pastor, C. O. Vance, Harold Songer, Bynum Trivette, A. C. Eggers, W. G. Bond, C. H. Kincaid and a large number of laymen.

The following committees were appointed to report during the afternoon session with the exception of the nominating committee which would report in 1951.

Obituaries — Mrs. Alfred Adams, Mrs. Collis Austin, Mrs. B. F. Wellborn.

Resolutions — Mrs. Oscar Harris, Mrs. Dave P. Mast, Mrs. C. J. Farthing.

Recommendations — Mrs. Ralph Greene, Mrs. Gladys Mast, Mrs. Myrtie Sherwood.

Time and Place — Mrs. W. H. Stansbery, Mrs. Wade Clawson, Mrs. Homer Love.



Nominating Committee — Mrs. Herman Eggers, Mrs. Woodrow Greene, Mrs. Edna Holloway, Mrs. Myrtie Sherwood, Mrs. Hattie S. Lewis.

At the roll call every society was represented with a report with the exception of one. Mrs. Oscar Harris reported for Blowing Rock who had 4 members present; Boone, Mrs. Alfred Adams with 11 present; Cove Creek, Mrs. Hattie S. Lewis with 10 present; Laurel Springs, Mrs. Joe Coffey with 4 present; Meat Camp, Mrs. Ennis Byers with 7 present; Oak Grove, Mrs. C. O. Vance with 11 present; Perkinsville, Mrs. Jord Barnes with 4 present; Poplar Grove, Mrs. Ethel Hodges with 3 present; Stony Fork, Mrs. Wogner with 20 present; Willowdale, Mrs. Gilbert Edmisten, with 4 present.

The treasurer's report was accepted as read.

Balance in treasury, April 16, 1949	\$29.97
Received at annual meeting, April 16	13.51
Received for expence funds	21.00
Total	\$64.48
Paid out:	
Miss Alda Grayson, Missionary	\$10.00
Mrs. A. E. Moretz, Expenses	15.00
Mrs. A. O. Joines, Divisional Expenses	19.00
Total	\$44.00
Blance in treasury April 22, 1950	\$24.48

"The Work is Great" was discussed by Mrs. Fred Edmisten, Mrs. Verne S. Greene, Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Mrs. Oscar Harris and Mrs. Alfred Adams who read a paper that had been prepared by Mrs. Ralph Greene.

Featured on the morning program was Mrs. John Wacaster who spoke on "Cooperating in the Work of the Lord" and gave an outline of the 25th anniversary of the Cooperative Program of Southern Baptists.

After the report on Young People's work by Mrs. Nora M. Wilson the morning session was closed with prayer by Rev. R. C. Eggers.

### LUNCH

The afternoon session was opened by singing "I Love To Tell The Story." Mrs. Dorothy Harris led the devotional period.

Mrs. Wacaster presented Miss Mary Ellen Wooten who spoke of the joys of being a Missionary in Nigria—joy of salvation, joy of discipleship, joy of helpers coming, joy of healing particularly among lepers, joy of receiving gifts and joy of answered prayer.

Rev. C. O. Vance made an announcement of the Simultaneous Revival to be held in some of the churches, beginning June 11th.

An offering of \$18.32 was taken for the expenses of the meeting.

The report on Obituaries was adopted as read by Mrs. Alfred Adams.



**IN MEMORIAM**

The following have submitted to the call of our Heavenly Father during the past year.

Oak Grove — Mrs. Joe Hodge.

Willowdale — Mrs. Frank Eggers.

Stony Fork — Mrs. B. F. Greene.

To the bereaved families and friends we extend our sincere sympathy.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ALFRED ADAMS.

MRS. COLLIS AUSTIN

MRS. B. F. WELBONE.

The report on Time and Place was adopted as made by Mrs. Wade Clawson.

Place — Willowdale.

Time — To be decided later.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. WADE CLAWSON,

MRS. HOWELL STANSBERRY,

MRS. HOMER LOVE.

The report on Resolutions was adopted as read by Mrs. Oscar Harris.

**RESOLUTIONS**

We, the members of Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Fork's Association, who have met in this, our Thirty-Seventh Annual Session, are most grateful for the Christian fellowship we have experienced here today. May we be true "Laborers Together With God," thus helping to bring in His Kingdom.

Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we express to the women of Stony Fork church heartfelt thanks for the splendid hospitality shown us today.

2. That we express our appreciations to the officers for their fine service during the past year and pledge our continued prayers and cooperation.

3. That we pray earnestly during the days ahead that God will guide us and that His will may be done.

4. That we express our appreciation to Mrs. John Wacaster and Miss Mary Ellen Wooten for their inspiring and challenging message.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. OSCAR HARRIS,

MRS. C. J. FARTHING,

MRS. DAVE P. MAST.

The Nominating Committee submitted the following as officers for the coming year:

Superintendent	Mrs. A. E. Moretz
Ass't Superintendent	Mrs. C. J. Farthing
Secretary and Treasurer	Mrs. Don C. Perry
Young People's Leader	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson

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R. A. Counselor	John Ward
Mission Study Chairman	Mrs. Frank Miller
Community Missions Chairman	Mrs. Ethel Hodges
Margaret Fund and W. M. U. Training School Chairman	Mrs. Oscar Harris
Stewardship Chairman	Mrs. Fred Edmisten
Library and Literature Chairman —	

The report was adopted as read by Mrs. C. O. Vance.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. L. M. HODGES,

MRS. MABLE BERRY,

MRS. CLARA P. SIMPSON,

MRS. KENT BROWN.

Mrs. Wagner, who had been a member of W. M. S. for 22 years was recognized by the Superintendent.

One of the most inspirational days in our W. M. U. history was brought to a close with prayer by Rev. C. O. Vance.

MRS. A. E. MORETZ, Superintendent,

MRS. DON C. PERRY, Secretary.

# STATISTICAL TABLES

Table A — CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location Rural V-T-C	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters and Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Titlers	State Paper in Budget	No. Years Present Pastor Has Served Church	Does Pastor Live On Church Field?
Antioch	R	1849	1	R. C. Cook, Lenoir	3		7	187	1		No	2	No
Beaver Dam	R	1874		No Pastor	9	2	2	250	1		No		No
Beech Valley	R	1941	2	Barnie Oliver, Mabel	1	3	3	81	1		No		No
Bethany	R	1893	2	L. H. Hagaman, Beech Creek	5	1	16	139	2		No	2	No
Bethel	R	1851	1	Herring Crisp, Lenoir	1	2	15	245			No	1	No
Blowing Rock	T	1903	All	No Pastor	8	9	12	187	1	39	No		Yes
Boone	C	1870	All	W. G. Bond, Boone	40	111	91	911	2	95	Yes	4	Yes
Brushy Fork	R	1858	2	A. C. Moody, Vilas	15	23	5	180	1		No		No
Clarks Creek	R	1898	1	Ira Hodges, Banner Elk	11	5	4	84	1		No	1	No
Cool Springs	R	1888	3	R. H. Shore, Blowing Rock	8		2	127	1		No	3	No
Cove Creek	V	1799	All	Harold Songer, Sherwood	5	4	12	226	1	28	No	2	Yes
Elk Knob	R	1890	2	Noah Johnson, Todd	1		2	87	2		No	4	No
Forest Grove	R	1889	1	L. H. Hagaman, Beech Creek	7		5	153	1		No	4	No
Friendship	R	1948	1	S. S. Graybeal, Creston	12	6	3	73	2		No		No
Gap Creek	R	1887	4	Raymond Hendrix, Boone	1	5	132				No	6	No







Howards Creek	Ned Norris, Boone	6	7	5	10	11	11	50	44
Laurel Springs	Joe L. Coffey, Jr., Laxon	10	6	9	12	20	34	142	91
Mabel	M. L. Warren, Jr., Mabel		4	8	19	16	38	85	70
Meat Camp	M. C. Brown, Boone	4	10	12	15	27	24	104	81
Middle Fork	Dale Woods, Blowing Rock	6	22	16	16	33	44	137	46
Mountain Dale	Collis Greene, Reese	10	10	10	9	13	22	80	56
Mount Calvary	Wm. Puckett, Banner Elk	11	11	12		15	37	75	45
Mount Gilead	Albert Tester, Beech Creek	11	8			10	18	48	40
Mount Lebanon	F. T. Danner, Valle Crucis	14	14	15	20	25	30	8	126
Oak Grove	L. M. Hodges, Adams	12	11	16	29	39	62	5	190
Perkinsville	Woodrow Greene, Boone	6	12	15	18	20	12	8	130
Pleasant Grove	Lawrence Wilson, Zionville	10	25	30	54	49	56	2	304
Poplar Grove	Collis Austin, Shulls Mills	12	12	18	23	14	40	1	120
Proffit Grove	Lloyd Bryan, Zionville	10	15	20	25	30	35	6	135
Pitch Mountain	Florence Mcretz, Zionville	8	8	12	12	15	17	6	66
Rutherford	Howard Parlier, Boone	10	10	12	10	20	40	148	84
Shulls Mills	C. M. Shore, Shulls Mills							60	44
South Fork	E. R. Mikeal, Todd	13	12	20	27	23	42	98	77
Stony Fork	Harlen Greene, Deep Gap	14	12	20	27	23	42	185	131
Tabernacle	Mrs. K. W. Brown, Boone	5	3	6	11	10	10	35	25
Three Forks	James Austin, Boone	8	20	18	22	18	27	178	143
Timbered Ridge	Spencer May, Reese	8	12	10	15	15	12	7	77
Union	Grover Norris, Mabel	9	9	10	14	15	20	2	172
White Rock	H. H. Shook, Banner Elk	6	10	18	20	12	53	119	73
willowdale	Doughton Greene, Vilas	8	4	12	22	44	44	90	50
Willow Valley	Cannon Ward, Sugar Grove	5	5	15	10	30	20	8	78
Zion Hill	Toby Presnell, Valle Crucis	10	10	20	25	40	50	155	125
Zionville	Roy Martin, Zionville	95	183	467	471	662	760	1115	1813
Total								5079	5807
								3641	750



Table D — WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	PRESIDENT OF W. M. S. AND ADDRESSES										Total Enrolled	En. In Mission Study	Total Tithers
	W. M. S. Units	Y. W. A. Units	G. A. Units	R. A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W. M. S. Enrolled	Y. W. A. Enrolled	G. A. Enrolled	R. A. Enrolled			
Blowing Rock	1	1	1	1	1	3	24	7	15	15	46	34	16
Boone	1	1	1	1	1	5	76	15	10	9	125	49	49
Cove Creek	1	1	1	1	1	6	33	8	21	6	86	56	18
Laurel Springs													
Mabel	1					1					20	17	12
Meat Camp	1					1					15	15	
Oak Grove	1				1	4	26	13	10	12	61	24	18
Perkinsville	1				1	2	19	13			32	32	
Stony Fork	1				1	2	12	15			27		
Willowdale	1				1	2	16	12			28		
Total	9	2	8	3	4	26	206	23	96	26	54	163	113

Table F — CHURCH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	Value Church Property	Other Salaries	Maintenance, Insurance	New Buildings And Equipment	Literature Song Books, etc.	Local Mission and Benevolences	Revival Expense and Pastoral Supply	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenditures	Pastor's Salary for Year	Grand Total Local Expense
Antioch	2,500	29.00	297.25		60.00		35.30		421.55	320.95	742.50
Beaver Dam	8,000	30.00	15.39		142.37	54.51	85.14	138.70	466.11	445.89	912.00
Beech Valley	6,000	55.03			101.82	156.78	118.81	143.55	575.99	354.44	930.43
Bethany	8,000	59.03		4,314.93	50.00		83.87	36.00	4,543.83	370.64	4,914.47
Bethel	11,000	180.00		327.27	111.61	178.07		370.11	1,167.06	648.64	1,815.70
Blowing Rock	30,000	152.00	88.04	756.11	221.82		288.13	320.58	1,826.68	1,937.15	3,763.83
Boone	100,000	2,025.00	1,597.44		1,623.50	180.00	665.00	2,437.00	8,527.94	4,602.74	13,130.68
Brushy Fork	20,000	72.75		3,512.26	184.83	43.06	142.48	130.99	4,087.37	625.22	4,712.59
Clarks Creek	5,000		28.80	195.79	69.84	103.25	53.64	39.25	500.57	281.29	781.86
Cool Springs	7,000	70.21	126.14		24.00	67.50	36.05		323.90	201.17	525.07
Cove Creek	16,000	310.00	282.62	82.50	304.58	160.00	171.17	773.46	2,084.33	2,180.00	4,264.33
Elk Knob	1,000						20.00	50.00	70.00	239.00	309.00
Forest Grove	2,500				63.17	20.15	151.41	26.36	658.64	216.63	875.27
Friendship	8,000	60.00		75.55	61.00	176.81	220.67	106.63	700.66	229.61	930.27
Gap Creek	1,500	109.00			70.00			7.00	186.00	269.42	455.12
Green Valley	6,000				85.22	19.34	71.63	178.70	864.09	359.32	1,223.41
Howards Creek	2,500		133.00	1,001.80	62.18	62.54		97.53	1,357.05	280.32	1,637.37
Laurel Springs	15,000	132.00	43.00	2,159.09	100.00	148.03	154.82	139.37	2,876.31	750.65	3,626.96
Mabel	8,000			550.42	80.20	100.00	110.59	155.78	2,296.99	450.81	2,747.80
Meat Camp	8,000		229.86		65.30	149.75	78.20	10.00	533.11	551.64	1,084.75
Middle Fork	6,000		34.00	2,329.85	69.29	31.00	46.51	74.00	2,507.14	181.73	2,688.27
Mountain Dale	4,000				34.38		100.00		111.89	208.90	320.79
Mount Calvary	15,000		406.77		103.60			204.41	814.78	1,080.00	1,894.78
Mount Gilead	2,000	11.47			31.99		75.48	28.44	147.38	136.69	284.07



Perkinsville	25,000	130.00	100.00	3,702.76	224.10	224.02	191.00	441.00	214.50	823.15	643.77	1,466.92
Pleasant Grove	5,400				248.89		90.80	105.00	27.42	680.00	350.78	1,030.78
Poplar Grove	20,000	38.59	108.25	322.65	78.09		102.82	96.40	61.44	365.55	200.00	565.55
Profit Grove	2,000			65.46	39.43		32.00	51.02	19.95	165.92	177.02	342.94
Rich Mountain	2,000				62.95		40.11	70.21		1,514.55	335.08	1,849.63
Rutherford	10,000		192.93		91.22		22.00	60.60	31.35	185.91	192.81	378.72
Shulls Mills	8,000		15.00	12.50	44.46		59.42	106.29	87.28	341.20	493.86	833.06
South Fork	10,000	60.00			28.21		100.20	130.00	1,038.33	1,789.71	797.62	2,580.33
Stony Fork	14,000	378.59			142.59		25.00		12.00	53.00	210.00	263.00
Tabernacle	3,000				16.00		52.00		104.30	3,380.30	651.44	4,031.74
Three Forks	20,000	107.00	588.00	208.80	280.20		30.00	64.00	25.00	168.00	223.75	391.75
Timbered Ridge	4,500	24.00			25.00		124.40	68.00				
Union	6,000		161.23		87.40					366.07	394.91	760.98
White Rock	4,000		316.37		49.70		119.05	65.00	3,447.76	3,867.01	1,080.00	4,947.01
Whitowdale	10,000	109.00	16.20		110.00		40.00		39.00	214.68	210.00	424.68
Willow Valley	8,000	60.00		774.97	75.33		118.55		50.90	986.42	307.47	1,297.80
Zion Hill	15,000	42.00			418.70		292.82		105.93	1,544.33	743.47	2,287.80
Zionville	10,000	185.20	154.40	321.95	75.33				11,011.88	66,087.71	27,034.18	92,319.99
Total	490,665	4,633.87	5,068.06	28,792.24	5,606.72	3,195.38	4,518.10					

### CHURCHES, TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES —

Antioch — G. A. Edmisten, Sugar Grove; Beaver Dam — Ray Swift, Reese; Beech Valley — Sam L. Ward,  
 Beech Creek; Bethany — Victor Farthing, Rominger; Bethel — Edmund Farthing, Sugar Grove; Blowing  
 Rock — D. P. Coffey, Blowing Rock; Boone — James Farthing, Boone; Brushy Fork — Chas. Moody, Vilas;  
 Clinks Creek — Robert Greene, Banner Elk; Cool Springs — Mrs. Eddie Sherrill, Boone; Cove Creek —  
 Odes Wilson, Zionville; Elk Knob — Sam S. South, Tamarack; Forest Grove — Friendship — Mrs. C. C. —  
 Main, Trade, Tenn.; Gap Creek — Mrs. Clyde Moretz, Deep Gap; Green Valley — Elfa Smitherman, Reese;  
 Howards Creek — G. G. Brown, Boone; Laurel Springs — Clifford Ray, Deep Gap; Mabel — Mrs. Clyde Wil-  
 son, Mabel; Meat Camp — W. H. Greene, Boone; Middle Fork — Mountain Dale — Collis Greene, Reese;  
 Mount Calvary — J. M. Shoemaker, Banner Elk; Mount Gilard — W. L. Greenwell, Heaton; Mount Lebanon  
 — Ivey Moore, Vilas; Oak Grove — Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams; Perkinsville — Hove Greene, Boone; Pleasant  
 Grove — Fyrette Culler, Zionville; Poplar Grove — T. M. Shore, Boone; Profit Grove — Ralph Proffit,  
 Zionville; Rich Mountain — Luther C. Moretz, Zionville; Rutherford — Glenn Bodenhammer, Boone;  
 Shulls Mills — Mrs. Mamie Hardin, Shulls Mills; South Fork — W. G. Cook, Todd; Stony Fork — Robert Haga-  
 man, Deep Gap; Tabernacle — Lloyd Stansberry, Boone; Three Forks — James Austin, Boone; Timbered Ridge  
 — Fred McGuire, Reese; Union — Stanley Norris, Mabel; White Rock — Mrs. H. H. Shook, Banner Elk; Wil-  
 lowdale — Fred Plair, Vilas; Willow Valley — Mrs. Carlie Greene, Sugar Grove; Zion Hill — Graddon Haga-  
 man, Rominger; Zionville — Ed Bumgardner, Trade, Tenn.

Payment on Church Debt — Forest Grove, \$314.28; Green Valley, \$509.20; Mabel, \$1,300.00; Oak Grove, \$404.  
 18; Perkinsville, \$960.00; Pleasant Grove, \$24.65; Rutherford, \$1,120.98; Three Forks, \$2,040.00; Total \$6,673.29

Table G — GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, EDUCATION, ORPHANAGES, ETC.

CHURCHES	Co-operative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Orphanages Total Gifts	Designated to Hospital	Relief and Annuity	Total Gifts for Missions	Grand Total for all Purposes	Total Church Debt At End of Year
Antioch .....			7.28		1.05		47.63	17.37	1.60	74.93	817.43	
Beaver Dam .....							62.15	85.51		147.66	1,059.66	
Beech Valley .....							8.00	6.35		14.35	944.78	
Bethany .....			4.35				47.80	11.43		63.58	4,978.05	
Bethel .....			18.00		29.00		220.87	19.35		287.22	2,102.92	
Blowing Rock .....	370.73		84.56	16.80	77.46		82.03	58.90	81.91	772.39	4,536.72	
Boone .....	3,223.49	300.00	167.00	104.70	400.70	500.00	551.47	208.02	539.67	5,995.05	19,125.73	1,000.00
Brushy Fork .....	12.06				61.67		57.37	4.00		135.10	4,847.69	
Clarks Creek .....			20.65				79.16	30.00		129.81	911.67	
Cool Springs .....			15.50	67.50			85.62			153.12	678.19	
Cove Creek .....	316.80			40.00	31.00		182.50	29.62	37.29	652.71	4,917.04	
Elk Knob .....											309.00	
Forest Grove .....	9.56						9.56	14.50		33.62	908.89	
Friendship .....							12.00	75.00		87.00	1,017.27	
Gap Creek .....			7.50	10.00				12.86	12.25	42.61	498.03	
Green Valley .....								6.34		6.34	1,229.75	
Howards Creek .....							27.53	7.00		34.53	1,671.90	
Laurel Springs .....	67.75		6.35	6.35	13.25		41.20	21.45		156.35	3,783.31	
Mabel .....			12.47					25.00		37.47	2,785.27	
Meat Camp .....	13.60		13.10	39.09	15.00		163.12	53.12	55.45	352.48	1,437.23	
Middle Fork .....								24.20		24.20	2,712.47	
Mountain Dale .....			7.00				15.50	6.00		21.50	342.29	
Mount Calvary .....	24.00						84.25	97.50	5.50	218.25	2,113.03	
Mount Gilead .....							10.41	5.63	10.50	26.54	310.61	

Mount Lebanon					19.54	43.50	63.04	479.57
Oak Grove	106.10	38.00	30.15	22.10	41.55	79.00	150.43	7,262.65
Perkinsville	154.22	2.10	27.33	1.87	5.81	102.08	30.00	7,034.30
Pleasant Grove	14.70					108.36	16.33	1,645.65
Poplar Grove	23.45		28.25	23.00	15.00	158.25	53.92	1,391.06
Profit Grove						96.11	6.39	705.34
Rich Mountain						20.87	21.00	384.81
Rutherford					65.28	106.75	33.22	2,054.88
Shulls Mills	17.00					25.00	42.00	420.72
South Fork	65.90					43.00	12.00	953.06
Stony Fork	191.10	10.00	7.79			118.35	36.54	2,944.11
Tabernacle			3.75	5.15		144.00	31.50	147.05
Three Forks					5.15	100.00	2.01	410.05
Timbered Ridge						179.64	27.36	4,207.24
Union						38.00	28.00	32.01
White Rock	32.00					170.00	50.00	1,029.69
Willowdale	72.00		20.00	3.00	25.00	24.00	3.00	977.98
Willow Valley	50.00					179.64	27.36	5,310.01
Zion Hill						179.64	27.36	498.68
Zionville			9.22			1,321.12	1,309.85	74.00
Total	4,763.59	350.10	490.25	339.56	781.77	515.15	3,321.12	1,349.21
								13,252.57
								106,072.36
								18,500.00

CHURCHES, CLERKS AND ADDRESSES

Antioch — Dwight Cable, Sugar Grove; Beaver Dam — C. B. Reese, Trade, Tenn.; Beech Valley — Sam L. Ward, Beech Creek; Bethany — M. P. Ward, Balm; Bethel — Howard Lawrence, Sugar Grove; Blowing Rock — Mrs. L. A. Hollars, Blowing Rock; Boone — F. C. Wright, Boone; Brushy Fork — Minnie Dare Greene, Vilas; C'arks Creek — Robert Greene, Banner Fork; Cool Springs — L. C. Rogers, Blowing Rock; Cove Creek — Mrs. Mae R. Payne, Sugar Grove; Elk Knob — W. C. South, Tamarack; Forest Grove — Chas. Johnson, Reese; Friendship — Glenn May, Trade, Tenn.; Gap Creek — Russell Wellborn, Deep Gap; Green Valley — Fonzo Tester, Sugar Grove; Howards Creek — L. F. Cottrell, Boone; Laurel Springs — Joe L. Coffey, Iaxcy; Mabel — Mrs. Helen Williams, Mabel; Meat Camp — M. C. Brown, Boone; Middle Fork — L. P. Hodges, Blowing Rock; Mountain Dale — Clay Phillips, Reese; Mount Calvary — Mrs. Alma Shoemaker, Balm; Mount Gillead — W. L. Greenwell, Heaton; Mount Lebanon — Lewis Moore, Vilas; Oak Grove — Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Adams; Perkinsville — Fred Cook, Boone; Pleasant Grove — Don H. Perry, Zionville; Poplar Grove — Henry Austin, Boone; Profit Grove — Kermit Proffit, Zionville; Rich Mountain — Luther C. Moretz, Zionville; Rutherford — Mrs. B. D. Clawson, Boone; Shulls Mills — Fred Haley, Shulls Mills; South Fork — Leslie Norris, Todd; Stony Fork — Joe J. Wellborn, Stony Fork; Tabernacle — Fred N. Norris, Boone; Three Forks — Walter Farnison, Boone; Timbered Ridge — A. E. Trivett, Reese; Union — Ivan Younce, Mabel; White Rock — Hade Smith, Banner Fork; Willowdale — Gladys Mast, Vilas; Willow Valley — Bonnie Kerby, Sugar Grove; Zion Hill — Henry Hagaman, Valle Crucis; Zionville — N. T. Byers, Zionville.

Table E — BROTHERHOOD WORK

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF MEN'S BROTHERHOODS AND ADDRESSES	Enrollment of Brotherhood	Meetings Held During Yr.
Boone .....	I. S. Ayers, Boone .....	85	12
Cove Creek .....	David P. Mast, Sugar Grove .....	28	23
Oak Grove .....	J. W. Norris, Boone .....	20	12
Willowdale .....	I. A. Bumgarner, Boone .....	10	12
Total .....	.....	143	59







**MINUTES**  
**OF THE**  
**Three Forks**  
**Baptist**  
**Association**  
**North Carolina**  
**One Hundred and Eleventh**  
**Session**  
**1951**

**FIRST DAY — BEECH VALLEY**  
**SECOND DAY — POPLAR GROVE**  
**August 28-29, 1951**

**NEXT SESSION**  
**August 26-27, 1952**

**FIRST DAY . . . . . MABEL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**SECOND DAY . . . . . UNION BAPTIST CHURCH**



# **Three Forks Baptist Association NORTH CAROLINA**

ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH SESSION

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AUGUST 28, 1951

AND

**POPLAR GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH**

AUGUST 29, 1951

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THE ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH SESSION TO BE

HELD WITH MABEL BAPTIST CHURCH

MABEL, N. C.

AUGUST 26, 1952 AND

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH

MABEL, N. C.

AUGUST 27, 1952

J. L. Thomas to preach the Annual Sermon on the first day of the Session; Harold Songer, Alternate.

Albert Tester to preach on the second day;

Bynum Trivett, Alternate.





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MABEL BAPTIST CHURCH**

**Tuesday, August 26, 1952**

- 9:00— 9:20—Opening Worship  
 9:20— 9:40—Address of Moderator  
 9:40—10:10—Report on Public Morals  
 10:10—10:40—Report of the Executive Committee  
 10:40—11:00—Report on Religious Literature  
 11:10—11:25—Roll Call of Messengers and Miscellaneous  
 11:25—12:15—Annual Sermon — J. L. Thomas, Jr.

**Noon Recess**

- 1:00— 1:15—Devotional  
 1:15— 1:45—Woman's Work  
 1:45— 3:15—Report on Missions (Associational, State, Home and Foreign).  
 3:15— 3:30—Closing Worship

**UNION BAPTIST CHURCH**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 1952**

- 9:00— 9:15—Opening Worship  
 9:15— 9:45—Report on Associational Progress  
 9:45—11:15—Report on Christian Education (Sunday Schools, BTU, Brotherhood and Christian Colleges)  
 11:15—11:30—Election of Officers and Miscellaneous  
 11:30—12:15—Sermon—Albert Tester

**Noon Recess**

- 1:15— 1:30—Devotional  
 1:30— 2:45—Report on Benevolences (Orphanage, Hospital, Baptist Home for Aging and Old Ministers' Relief)  
 2:45—3:15—Report of Treasurer, Finance Committee, Nominations, Resolutions and Time, Place & Preacher.  
 3:15—3:35—Memorial Service  
 3:35— 4:00—Miscellaneous, Reading of Minutes and Closing Worship.

**ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY**

**Officers**

R. C. Eggers, Moderator	-----	Zionville
Wade E. Brown, Vice-Moderator	-----	Boone
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treasurer	-----	Boone
C. J. Farthing, Historian & Song Leader	-----	Boone
Ralph Beshears, B. T. U. Director	-----	Boone
Woodrow Greene, Sunday School Director	-----	Boone
I. S. Ayers, Brotherhood Director	-----	Boone
C. O. Vance, Hospital Director	-----	Vilas
Russell D. Hodges, Orphanage Director	-----	Boone
Mrs. Blanche Perry, Associational Missionary and Librarian	---	Sherwood
Mrs. Kathleen Ward, Pianist	-----	Boone

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Wade E. Brown, Chairman	-----	Boone
S. C. Eggers	-----	Boone
Dallas Wilson	-----	Reese
I. B. Wilson	-----	Zionville
L. E. Wilson	-----	Zionville
R. C. Eggers	-----	Zionville
Clyde R. Greene	-----	Boone

**ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE**

C. O. Vance, Chairman	-----	Vilas
Harold Songer	-----	Sherwood
Raymond Hendrix	-----	Boone

**PROMOTION COMMITTEE**

Composed of all the Pastors and the following:

A. C. Moody, Chairman, Vilas

Earl Tester, Sugar Grove	M. C. Brown, Boone
Carl Wilson, Reese	Perry Ashley, Blowing Rock
Acie McGuire, Beech Creek	Roy Norris, Reese
M. P. Ward, Balm	Wm. Puckett, Banner Elk
Edmond Farthing, Sugar Grove	Clyde Bunton, Heaton
K. K. Brown, Blowing Rock	T. T. Danner, Valle Crucis
Wade E. Brown, Boone	L. M. Hodges, Boone
Earl Colvard, Vilas	Boyd Cook, Boone
W. C. Smith, Rominger	Lawrence Wilson, Zionville
W. W. Austin, Shulls Mills	Roy Williams, Jr, Boone
James L. Sherwood, Vilas	Lloyd Bryan, Zionville
Sam S. South, Tamarack	T. O. Eggers, Zionville
Russell Garland, Trade, Tenn.	C. M. Shore, Shulls Mills
Edmond Cheek, Brownwood	E. R. Mikeal, Todd
Ron Tester, Sugar Grove	Harlen Greene, Deep Gap
D. W. Cook, Boone	Milton Moretz, Boone
Joe Coffey, Jr. Laxon	James Austin, Boone
Howard Younce, Vilas	Narvie Moore, Sugar Grove
Ivan Younce, Mabel	Paul Arnett, Balm
Roy Hicks, Vilas	Spencer Cable, Sugar Grove
Stacy Moody, Beach Creek	Earl Miller, Zionville

**COMMITTEES TO REPORT AT THE 1952 SESSION**

Associational Progress	-----	C. J. Farthing and N. M. Greene
Benevolences	-----	T. H. Hagaman and Harold Songer
Christian Education	-----	W. G. Bond and Wade E. Brown
Memorial Service	-----	Ronda Earp and Henry Hagaman
Missions	-----	Clyde R. Greene and Ralph Beshears
Public Morals	-----	C H. Kincaid and Luther Oliver
Religious Literature	-----	C. O. Vance and S. C. Eggers, Jr.
Resolutions	-----	Ira Hodges and W. C. Carroll
Woman's Work	-----	Mrs. Nora Wilson and Mrs. C. O. Vance

## BAPTIST TRAINING UNION ORGANIZATION

Director	Ralph Beshears, Boone
Associate Director	James Farthing, Boone
Secretary Treas.	Mrs. Carrie Lee Dickson, Boone
Chorister	Wm. Hodges, Boone
Pianist	Mary Sue Walsh, Sherwood
Pastor-Advisor	C. H. Kincaid, Boone
Adult Leader	Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone
Young Peoples Leader	Mrs. Betty Jean Hughes, Boone
Intermediate Leader	Mrs. Nora Wilson, Zionville
Junior Leader	Mrs. Maxie Edmisten, Vilas
Story Hour Leader	Mrs. C. O. Vance, Vilas
Group directors:	Perry Greene, Boone; C. J. Farthing, Boone; Kent Brown, Blowing Rock; A. E. Moretz, Boone.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

Superintendent	Woodrow Greene, Boone
Associate Superintendents:	V. B. Schools—C. J. Farthing, Boone; Enlargement—C. O. Vance, Vilas; Training—J. L. Thomas, Jr., Blowing Rock; Evangelism—Edgar Edmisten, Sugar Grove.
Secretary - Treas.	Mrs. Blanche Perry, Sherwood
Pianist	Mrs. Betty Jean Hughes, Boone
Chorister	Wm. Hodges, Boone
Group Superintendents:	I. T. Barnett, Boone; A. E. Moretz, Boone; Edgar Greene.
Cradle Roll Superintendent	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Boone
Beginners Superintendent	Mrs. W. G. Bond, Boone
Primary Superintendent	Mrs. Clifford Ray, Deep Gap
Junior Superintendent	Mrs. Victor Trivett, Trade, Tenn.
Intermediate Superintendent	Dorothy Greene
Young Peoples Superintendent	John Davis, Boone
Adult Superintendent	James Sherwood, Sugar Grove
Extension Department	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville

## WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION ORGANIZATION

Superintendent	Mrs. C. J. Farthing, Boone
Assistant Superintendent	Mrs. Joe McNeil, Vilas
Secretary - Treas.	Mrs. Don C. Perry, Sherwood
Young Peoples' Leader	Mrs. Nora Wilson, Zionville
R. A. Counselor	John Ward, Reese
Mission Study Chairman	Mrs. Robert Garvey, Blowing Rock
Community Missions Chairman	Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone
Stewardship Chairman	Mrs. Fred Edmisten
Training School and Margaret Fund Chairman	Mrs. W. G. Bond, Boone
Literature and Library Chairman,	Mrs. Mabel Berry

## ORDAINED MINISTERS

Bethel — E. J. Farthing,	Sugar Grove
Blowing Rock — J. L. Thomas, Jr.,	Blowing Rock
Jim Hodges,	Blowing Rock
Boone — W. G. Bond,	Boone
D. M. Edmisten,	Boone
W. F. Smith,	Boone



Brushy Fork — A. C. Moody	Vilas
Grady Minton,	Vilas
Ronda Earp,	Vilas
Cool Springs — W. C. Payne,	Blowing Rock
Howard Shore,	Lenoir
Cove Creek — Harold Songer,	Sherwood
James C. Sherwood,	Fort Knox, Ky.
Elk Knob — Noah Johnson,	Tamarack
Forest Grove — Fred Hagaman,	Vilas
David Greene,	Vilas
Friendship — Glenn South,	Trade, Tenn
Cartie Eggers,	Creston
Laurel Springs — W. C. Greene,	Laxon
J. L. Greene,	Benge
Mabel — Bernie Oliver,	Blowing Rock
Meat Camp — N. M. Greene,	Boone
A. E. Moretz,	Boone
Middle Fork — R. H. Shore,	Blowing Rock
J. J. Matney,	Blowing Rock
Mountain Dale — Clyde Cornett,	Blowing Rock
Mount Calvary — Roby Painter,	Balm
Mount Lebanon — T. T. Danner,	Valle Crucis
Perkinsville — C. H. Kincaid,	Boone
Tipton Greene,	Boone
Pleasant Grove — E. O. Gore,	Zionville
John Hagaman,	Zionville
Poplar Grove — Clayton Greene,	Shulls Mills
Rutherwood — A. B. Church,	Boone
Stony Fork — H. H. Smith,	Deep Gap
Bynum Trivett,	Stony Fork
Three Forks	Raymond Hendrix, Boone
Timbered Ridge	Albert Tester, Reese
Union	Arent Greer, Mabel
Willowdale	C. O. Vance, Vilas
Willow Valley	Oscar Ward, Sugar Grove
Zion Hill	L. H. Hagaman, Beech Creek
Zionville	R. C. Eggers, Zionville
	Dewey Trivett, Zionville

LICENTIATES

Bethany	A. T. Watson, Rominger
Brushy Fork	Earl Colvard, Vilas
Meat Camp	Robert Proffit, Boone
Perkinsville	Lloyd Culler, Boone
Timbered Ridge	John Ward, Reese
White Rock	Robert Allen, Rominger

Messengers

ANTIOCH — Frank Cable, Ralph Harmon and Joe Warren  
 BEAVER DAM — Raleigh Wilson, Carl Wilson and Lee Swift  
 BEECH VALLEY — O. H. Trivett, Paul Edmisten and Spencer Phillips  
 BETHANY — Marshal Ward, Mrs. Martha Ward and Vance Farthing  
 BETHEL — George Edmisten, W. R. Vines and M. H. Edmisten  
 BLOWING ROCK — Mrs. R. R. Garvey, Mrs. K. K. Brown, Kenneth



## Forbes

- BOONE — Wade E. Brown, S. C. Eggers, Clyde R. Greene and D. M. Edmisten
- BRUSHY FORK — Howard Dancy, Reatha Wilson and Grady Greene
- CLARK'S CREEK — W. C. Smith, Ivan Reese and Robert Greene
- COOL SPRINGS — E. E. Carlton, M. L. West and Mrs. W. C. Payne
- COVE CREEK — Maude Perry, Mrs. Vergie Sheffield and Mrs. Florence Songer
- ELK KNOB — Rom Potter, Grady Potter and Lovill South
- FOREST GROVE — Fred Hagaman, Len Warren and Lynn Matheson
- FRIENDSHIP — Russell Garland, Glenn South and Don Bumgardner
- GAP CREEK — A. G. Miller, Thomas Fairchild and Clyde Moretz
- GREEN VALLEY — Howard Harmon, Council Ward and Joe Farthing
- HOWARDS CREEK — L. F. Cottrell, Guy Norris and Howard Miller
- LAUREL SPRINGS — E. B. Hardin, Glenn Ford and W. B. Day
- MABEL — J. M. Burkett, Blan Norris, Houston Younce and Ed Williams
- MEAT CAMP — Robert Proffit, Mrs. Wade Clawson and A. E. Moretz
- MIDDLE FORK — H. B. Triplett, Perry Ashley and J. L. Shore
- MOUNTAIN DALE — Lanie Henson, Clyde Cornett and Link Presnell
- MOUNT CALVARY — Richard Smith, Will Puckett and W. A. Shoemaker
- MOUNT GILEAD — Clyde Bunton, W. L. Greenwell and Ted Reece
- MOUNT LEBANON — John Earp, Clarence Earp and Leonard Hayes
- OAK GROVE — D. C. Michael, Mrs. Mabel Berry and Mrs. John Ward
- PERKINSVILLE — Lloyd Culler, Mary Hartley and Lucille Greene
- PLEASANT GROVE — Mrs. Ruby Perry, Mrs. Margaret Mitchell and Everette Culler
- POPLAR GROVE — Edna Holloway, T. C. Hodges and Collis Austin
- PROFFIT GROVE — W. C. Carroll, A. B. Church and Mrs. Annie Ragan
- RICH MOUNTAIN — Jim McNeil, T. O. Eggers and Stacy Tester
- RUTHERWOOD — W. C. Carroll, A. B. Church and Mrs. Annie Ragan
- SHULLS MILLS — J. B. Reed, Mont Teague and Laura Reed
- SOUTH FORK — Eugene Seatz, Leslie Norris and Ed Jones
- STONY FORK — Harlen Greene, J. J. Wellborn and Jim Hagaman
- TABERNACLE — Lloyd Stanberry, Glenn Stanberry and Milton Moretz
- THREE FORKS — Mrs. Roby Greer, Troy Greene and Mrs. Ruby Michael
- TIMBERED RIDGE — A. E. Trivett, Mabel Guy and Mrs. Clyde Tester
- UNION — Dewey Swift, Marvin Norris and Stanly Norris
- WHITE ROCK — Hade Smith, Hoyle Shook and Lester Rupard
- WILLOWDALE — Thiel Greene, Mrs. Joy Greene and Mrs. Della Edmisten
- WILLOW VALLEY — Chas. Greene, Ivalee Harmon and Wilson Hodges
- ZION HILL — Graydon Hagaman, M. A. Ward and Stacy Moody
- ZIONVILLE — Andrew May, Clay Reese and Joe Wilson

be made at any time by a majority of the Association when they deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months prior notice.

14. The Association shall have power:

To provide for the general union of the churches.

To endeavor to preserve a chain of union amongst the churches.

To give the churches the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

To appropriate the money contributed by the churches for an Associational fund to any purpose they may think proper.

To have power to withdraw from any church in their Union who shall violate the rules of this Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

To correspond with sister Associations.

To invite any Baptist in the ministry to a seat in the Association, who may be present at the time of their sitting.

To adjourn the Association to any future time and place they may think proper and most convenient to the churches of the Union.

## Rules Of Decorum

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

3. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect upon the person who spoke before him as to make remarks on his steps, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state the matter as he can do so as to give his views or ideas.

4. No person shall abruptly break or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

5. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on any one subject without liberty from the Association.

6. No member shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same or whispering in the time of public speaking.

7. No member shall address another in any other appellation than that of brother.

8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

9. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as required by the Association.

10. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any of the other members, provided the chair be filled. He shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

## Constitution

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who, on producing letters from their respective church certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, the ministers being ex-officio.

2. In the letters from the different churches is to be expressed their numbers in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed by letter, excommunicated and dead since last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any special power over the churches. They shall not infringe upon any internal right of any church in this Union.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and clerk who shall be chosen annually by the suffrage of the members present.

5. New churches or any regular church of Christ being legally dismissed by letter by any sister Association upon application and delegates, shall be admitted to our Union.

6. Every church in the Association shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

7. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be once read and before it is debated the Moderator shall put it to a vote, and if there is a majority for it being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and be debated, but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of their proceedings. The best method of accomplishing this purpose shall be at the direction of the future Associations

10. We think it is absolutely necessary that we should have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For the raising and supporting of which we think it to be the duty of each church in the Union to contribute annually such sums as they may think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association. The money thus raised shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer, appointed by the Association, who shall be accountable for the same. He shall pay the money out from time to time as the Association may direct.

11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for his services.

12. The minutes of this Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and the Clerk before the Association rises.

13. Amendments to the plans or form of government may



**PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION  
THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION  
OF NORTH CAROLINA  
HELD WITH BEECH VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH  
BEECH CREEK, N. C.  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 28, 1951  
AND WITH POPLAR GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH  
SHULLS MILLS, N. C.  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29, 1951  
FIRST DAY — Tuesday, Aug. 28, 1951  
MORNING SESSION**

1. The One Hundred Eleventh Annual Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina convened with Beech Valley Baptist Church, Beech Creek, N. C., at 9:30 A. M. Tuesday, August 28, 1951.

2. The opening song service was conducted by C. J. Farthing. R. H. Shore read the 103rd Psalm and Barnie Oliver, Pastor of the host church, led in prayer.

3. The Moderator, R. C. Eggers, called the One Hundred Eleventh Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association to order.

4. The Moderator's Address was delivered by R. C. Eggers on the subject, "Divisions in our Churches." He used the 10th verse of the 1st chapter of 1st Cor. as his text.

5. Dr. W. G. Bond read the "Suggested Order of Business" as prepared by the Executive Committee. This report was adopted without discussion.

6. N. M. Greene offered the report on Public Morals. After a motion to adopt the report, it was discussed by N. M. Greene and W. G. Bond and was adopted.

**REPORT ON PUBLIC MORALS**

This know ye, that in the last days perilous times shall come; for men shall be lovers of themselves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, fierce, despisers of those who are good, traitors, highminded and lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof; from such turn away.

As it was in the days of Noah so shall it be also in the days of the Son of Man. They did eat, they drank, they married wives and they were given in marriage until the day that Noah entered into the ark and the flood came and destroyed them all. Likewise, also, as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; but the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them all; even so shall it be in the day when the Son of Man is revealed in His glory.

Respectfully submitted,  
N. M. GREENE.

7. Wade E. Brown read the report of the Executive Committee and led the discussion. After further discussion by Clyde R. Greene, R. H. Shore, L. H. Hagaman and A. E. Moretz the report was adopted.

### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Since our 1950 Session your Executive Committee has met three times. At our first meeting a "Suggested Order of Business for the 1951 Session" was prepared so that it could be printed in the 1950 minutes. We next met to make plans for the 1951 Spring Session which was held with Meat Camp Church. At our last meeting we discussed plans for the Annual Session.

We recommend the following for your consideration:

1. That the Associational Missionary work be enlarged and that the Moderator appoint a committee of three pastors to have charge of the work; also that regular reports be made to the Missions Committee by the Missionary and that a summary of the work be reported to the Executive Committee at our meetings.

2. That we endorse the work of the N. C. Baptist Home and we urge our churches to support this work.

3. That we urge our churches to increase our support of the N. C. Baptist Hospital.

4. That our churches consider only one man at a time when calling a pastor and that it is more profitable for both church and pastor for the call to be indefinite.

Respectfully submitted,

Wade E. Brown, Chairman

8. The report on Religious Literature was offered by W. G. Bond who opened the discussion. After further discussion by J. L. Thomas, Jr., Mrs. Blanche Perry, W. C. Carroll, C. O. Vance, L. H. Hagaman and R. C. Eggers, the report was adopted.

### REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

What are we reading? Much of our thinking is directed by that which we read. A thought is a powerful thing. If religious literature has the right place in the home much good will come. If our people are reading the wrong things untold damage is being done.

At the heart of what our denomination is doing we find the publication of religious literature. Whatever we might say about these publications they are being used for noble purposes. The light of our progress has been illuminating the paths of men and women, boys and girls. Today's growth is reflected in the reading of yesterday. Among our publications some of these rate high according to material and purpose. Home Life receives commendation frequently, both by good accomplished as well as for its makeup.

Here in our state we have the Biblical Recorder, our state Baptist paper and Charity and Children, published by the Orphanage. These publications deserve the right place in every Baptist home in North Carolina. Through these papers articles of interest to the work of North Carolina Baptists continue to inform the people of our state. News of churches remains a source of constant interest to their readers. Reports of contributions by the churches frequently occur that we may know what is the state of affairs.

Being raised in a Baptist home should mean certain specific rela-



tions. One of these is an interest in the work of our denomination. One church put their state paper in the budget, sending it to all of the families of the church. Immediately the pastor sponsored among the youth of the church an interest in finding out how many times each week their church was mentioned in their state Baptist paper. You can see what happened that pastor reported the unusual events that went on in his church. The youth interested their parents in reading the paper to help them find the references to their church. To me reading these publications deepens my interest in the Kingdom of God. As I see what other churches are doing both small and large, city and county, mountain and churches of the plains I am inspired to greater effort for the Kingdom of God.

What our denomination is doing beyond our borders, as well as the conditions of the world, are reflected in the Missions Magazines—Home Missions and The Commission.

Enough material is being published by our denomination for every family to be associated in some way with reading. The variety is such most of our needs can be met.

The Bible remains at the center of what the Christian does, as well as reads. In our denomination it is the heart of our faith and practice. It is taught in our Sunday Schools, read at our family altars, has a vital place in our devotional life as well as that of the organization, is the source of our preaching and is a medium for the voice of God to speak to our lives. And yet how great a number in the world do not have access to a Bible.

More and more the work of the American Bible Society is claiming the attention of Southern Baptists. Every man must have the Bible in his native tongue, if the Word of God is to speak to his heart. Someone must translate it into his language, publish it and send it to him, wherever he may live.

In many sections of the world people are too poor to afford a Bible that costs a few cents. Someone must help those who can only pay a part of the cost. The American Bible Society comes in to be that someone.

Last year they distributed 11 million volumes of scriptures at home and abroad. Another three million volumes were produced through gifts of materials and money to Bible Societies of other countries, especially Germany and Japan, bringing the grand total to more than 14 million volumes for the year.

What are we reading? On the schedule should be religious literature with the Bible at the center.

W. G. Bond.

9. The Clerk called the roll of the churches and the messengers. The Moderator recognized the twenty-five ministers present including J. L. Thomas, Jr., pastor of Blowing Rock Church, who has come to our Association since our last session. Visitors were recognized as follows: Rev. and Mrs. Cecil Glenn, New Orleans, La., Rev. Carl Triplett, Chilhowie, Va.

10. The Moderator appointed the following committees:

FINANCE — L. E. Wilson and Woodrow Greene.

NOMINATIONS — S. C. Eggers, Arlie Hodges and Harold Songer.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER — D. M. Edmisten, Barnie Oliver and M. H. Edmisten.

11. After a song the Moderator recognized A. C. Moody, the appointee to preach the Annual Sermon. Brother Moody requested Carl Triplett to lead in prayer. He then read Proverbs 29:18 — "Where There Is No Vision the People Perish." He announced his subject, "VISION," and in his stirring message emphasized the following thoughts:

1. Take the Gospel to the world as the only remedy for Communism.
2. Christians must show their love for Christ through their lives.
3. There must be family altars and Christian training.
4. Spiritual things must replace worldly pleasures.
5. Culture without spiritual vision is dangerous and will destroy any people.
6. Christianity spreads by the work of the Holy Spirit by personal contacts.
7. The world, if saved at all, will be saved by the Gospel of Christ. Brother Moody closed his message with prayer.
9. The Association recessed for lunch, benediction by Ronda Earp.

#### NOON RECESS

10. The Association reconvened at 1:10 p. m. after the messengers and visitors had enjoyed a bountiful dinner served on the church lawn. Bynum Trivett conducted the devotional service.

11. The report on Woman's Work was presented by Mrs. C. O. Vance. This report was discussed by Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, A. C. Moody, J. L. Thomas, Jr., Victor Trivett, Mrs. Blanche Perry and C. J. Farthing. The report was adopted.

#### REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

##### W. M. U. REPORT

"Ye shall be my witnesses." (Acts 1:8b) is the W. M. U. watchword for the year. These words falling from the lips of Jesus just before His ascension, laid an inescapable obligation upon the shoulders of his followers of every age and nation, namely, that of the stewardship of the Gospel. Christians are to be forever stewards of the good news which they have received from God through Christ Jesus. This stewardship calls for the operation of the principle of sharing, for only as we share with others that which has been entrusted to us can we exercise our high privilege as witnesses for Christ and therefore fulfill our responsibility as stewards.

W. M. U. members have sought to share Christ with others. Through our organized efforts we have gone in city mission work among those who have sunk to the lowest levels of sin, we have cared for many neglected children at our Good Will Centers. We have taught children and young people the plan of salvation. We have sought to be faithful in personal soul-winning.

We are happy to report that one new society has come into existence in our association this past year, yet our hearts are grieved to think of so many of our churches who do not have a W. M. U. Most of our organizations have reported mission study classes conducted and the observance of the Seasons of Prayer and their offerings for the support of missions.

We are happy to pay special tribute to Mrs. Nora Wilson, our young

people's leader, for her untiring efforts and sacrificial service among our young people. She reports four camps conducted this year, two for Royal Ambassadors, two for Girls Auxiliary. A total of 94 boys and girls were enrolled.

"Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." Surely when our hearts are filled with love for our Saviour, and with gratitude for the marvelous gift of his love to us, "We cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard," and experienced in our lives. Even after we have studied about, prayed for, and contributed to foreign, home and state causes, we know yet there remain definite mission responsibilities in the local community. Our community missions program is designed to enlist women and young people in soul-winning and Christian service to meet these local needs. Under the leadership of our new and efficient superintendent, Mrs. C. J. Farthing, we the members of W. M. U. shall be kept aware of the mighty and triumphant movement of the Gospel in today's world, and "In all our plans, programs and policies, witnessing in Judea, Jerusalem, and Samaria and to the uttermost parts of the earth" shall be our major emphasis.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. C. O. Vance.

12. C. O. Vance read the report on Missions and lead the discussion. M. A. Huggins, Secretary Baptist State Convention, continued the discussion and the report was adopted.

### REPORT ON MISSIONS

"Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven," this is to be our supreme prayer. "Seek Ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." This is the supreme duty of every Christian. "Ye are to be My witnesses," said Jesus as He stood on the pinnacle of His resurrection glory and gave the Great Commission as the marching orders of every soldier of the cross. He went away leaving the story of His love and salvation in the hands of a little group of faithful witnesses. They passed it on to another little group, and they to another. And on and on down through the ages, until today the responsibility comes to you and to me.

Our experience in the saving grace of Christ Jesus is the fountain, and our missionary zeal is the stream flowing from that fountain. The one measures the other. In proportion as this experience is genuine and deep will we desire to communicate it to others. Some one has truthfully said, "No man was ever yet convinced of any momentous truth without feeling in himself the power, as well as the desire, to communicate it to others." People who assert that they do not believe in missions are either unconscious of the great indictment they bring against their spiritual experience or that experience is not genuine. How is it possible for one who professes to follow Christ and not to believe in missions when missions are simply the organized efforts to carry out the will of the Master?

The Bible is a book of missions. It inspires us with a world vision, challenges us with a world purpose, and marches us to a world goal. We today live in a confused, disturbed, wicked, and warring world. The fires of hatred, distrust, and envy are burning in the hearts of all nations. The only hope is that we would make the Kingdom of God first



in the hearts, minds, and lives of men everywhere. This world must know Christ. Nothing else will save it. The Gospel of Christ is the message of hope. His blood is the only redeeming power.

With this glorious Kingdom — building and world — redeeming Gospel in our possession, Baptist realize they must co-operate if they are to carry out Christ's program in our day. And that is what we are trying to do. We have a program which was begun by Jesus Himself. It demands our co-operative efforts. That is the reason we call it the Co-operative Program. This great plan enables the individual and the church to share in the support of every object that Baptists believe to be included in the Great Commission.

As we, Baptist, support the Co-operative Program, not only do we support Foreign Missions, but through Associational, State, and Home Missions, our homeland is strengthened and made more secure. Most of the churches of our association have contributed regularly or made special offerings to this great cause.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. O. Vance.

13. The Association recessed to meet tomorrow at Poplar Grove Baptist Church, benediction by N. M. Greene.

**SECOND DAY — WEDNESDAY, Aug. 29, 1951**

**POPLAR GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH, SHULLS MILLS, N. C.**

**MORNING SESSION**

14. The Moderator called the Association to order at 9:20 a. m. After the song service led by Henry Austin, R. E. Hendrix conducted the opening worship service. Lloyd Culler led prayer.

15. S. C. Eggers offered the report on Associational Progress.

After a motion to adopt the report was discussed by S. C. Eggers, and Dr. L. L. Carpenter, Editor of Biblical Recorder, who also discussed the Recorder, and the report was adopted.

**REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL PROGRESS**

	1950	1951	Gain or Loss
Church Membership	7944	8113	Gain 169
Number Baptisms	383	347	Loss 36
Sunday School Enrollment	5807	6013	Gain 206
WMU Membership	457	539	Gain 82
BTU Membership	1091	964	Loss 127
Brotherhood Membership	143	133	Loss 10
Local Contributions	92,819.99	93,308.00	Gain 488.01
Missions and Benevolences	13,252.57	14,449.94	Gain 1197.37
Total Contributions	106,072.56	107,757.94	Gain 1685.38

Thirty-six churches reported baptisms; thirteen WMU's; twelve BTU's and four Brotherhoods. Nineteen churches gave \$4439.33 to the Cooperative Program; forty gave \$3420.20 to the Orphanage; thirty-four gave \$1572.96 to the Hospital and all our churches gave something to Missions and Benevolences — gifts ranging from a low of \$7.00 to a high of \$6020.07.

Respectfully submitted,  
S. C. Eggers  
Clyde R. Greene

16. C. H. Kincaid presented the report on Christian Education. After a discussion by C. J. Farthing on Sunday Schools; C. O. Vance on BTU; Clyde R. Greene on Brotherhood; M. H. Kendall on Mars Hill College and J. C. Canipe on Fruitland Institute the report was adopted.

### REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

“Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you . . .” (Matt. 28:20). Primary responsibility for Christian education rests on the home, and they on the parents of the countless children in North Carolina. Whatever parents teach by word and example children will inevitably learn. Our first need then is for more thoroughly Christian homes.

The church can overcome bad influence in the home but in large measure what the church can do depends on what the home has done. Education in Sunday School and Training Union, by carefully teaching God's Word, help people find Christ as Saviour and learn week by week about Christ's words, His will, and His work.

In Christians Schools and Colleges again much depends on what the church and homes have accomplished as to what colleges can do. The skills and facts that our schools provide, plus the vision created by wider fellowships are greatly needed in this generation of God-denying, Bible-denying, Christ-less leadership and movements. Dedicated talent and leadership ability, well-trained in Christian principles and subject to the will of God without compromise are North Carolina's and America's greatest needs. Our colleges, seven strong, have this as their goal. Another school, Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute ministers to a specific need in North Carolina in providing Christ-centered training for the Gospel ministry.

In giving the best possible educational preparation for a preaching, teaching or singing ministry, Southern Baptists now have five theological seminaries stretched from Louisville, Ky., to San Francisco, California. By support of the Cooperative Program they are our schools, where thousands of tomorrow's leaders are trained. Our nation and the world are looking to these schools in hope.

Education is not the answer, alone. Coupled with a personal knowledge of Christ and zeal for speeding the Gospel, education can help us more fully meet the need all about us. “Study . . . search the scriptures . . . preach the word . . . teaching them to observe . . . that the world may know.”

Signed,  
C. H. Kincaid  
Ronda Earp.

17. A committee appointed by the Executive Committee consisting of C. J. Farthing, R. C. Eggers and Ralph Beshears presented the following report relative to an Associational Fund and the appointment of a Special Finance Committee to have charge of the raising and spending of this fund. This recommendation was discussed by C. J. Farthing, Clyde R. Greene and Wade E. Brown and was adopted without opposition.



### REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL FUND COMMITTEE

We your committee appointed by the executive committee of Three Forks Association, wish to make the following recommendations regarding section 10 of our constitution, relative to the contribution and raising of funds for defraying the expenses of the Three Forks Association.

(1) That the moderator of this association appoint a committee of five composed of the following members of our association: Reverend C. O. Vance, Reverend C. H. Kincaid, Reverend Raymond Hendrix, Mrs. Nora Wilson and James Farthing. This committee to administer any and all funds contributed to this fund when approved by this association.

(2) That the purpose of this fund be for the hiring of an associational missionary, the purchasing of minutes of the association, and any other needs that may arise for the promoting of the Kingdom of God in our association.

(3) That this committee with our associational missionary formulate some plan of presenting to our churches the needs of our association.

(4) We recommend that our churches adopt one of three plans for contributing to this associational mission fund:

(A) Include it in your budget if you have one.

(B) Designate definite times during the year for associational missions day as we do for orphanage, state missions, etc.

(C) Retain a certain percent of all contributions made to objects outside our association and send it in to our associational mission treasurer.

R. C. Eggers  
Ralph Beshears  
C. J. Farthing.

18. The election of officers being the next order of business, the Moderator requested the Vice-Moderator to assume the chair. R. C. Eggers was nominated for Moderator and there being no other nominations he was unanimously elected by a standing vote. The following other officers were unanimously elected:

Wade E. Brown — Vice-Moderator.

Clyde R. Greene — Clerk-Treasurer.

Ralph Beshears — BTU Director.

Woodrow Greene — Sunday School Director.

I. S. Ayers — Brotherhood President.

C. O. Vance — Hospital Director.

Russell D. Hodges — Orphanage Director.

Mrs. Blanche Perry — Associational Missionary and Librarian.

C. J. Farthing — Song Leader.

The Moderator announced the appointment of the following on the MISSIONS COMMITTEE:

C. O. Vance, Chairman  
Harold Songer  
Raymond Hendrix

19. Upon request of the moderator the following visitors announced themselves: N. L. Harrison, Stony Fork Association; L. L. Carpenter, Editor Biblical Recorder; D. M. Wheeler, Live Oak, Fla.; W. C. Eller, Johnson City, Tenn.; Mrs. Hattie M. Winkler, Granite Falls, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hawkins, First Baptist Church, Gadsden, Ala.; Mrs. J. H. Crisp, Lenoir, N. C.; Becky Davis, Akron, Ohio; M. H. Kendall, Mars Hill College; Miss Hilda Schinieder, Saxony Germany. J. C. Canipe, Secretary of Evangelism.

20. The moderator recognized B. R. Holbrook, pastor of Three Forks Church and S. S. Graybeal, pastor of Friendship Church as this is their first appearance in our Association.

21. After a song, the Moderator presented C. H. Kincaid who requested J. C. Canipe to lead prayer. Bro. Kincaid read Romans 13:11-14 and Second Cor. 6:2 and announced his subject, "What Time Is It," He delivered a very striking message bringing out the following:

1. It is Time for Sinners to Come to Christ.

2. It is Time for Christians to Awake and Arise to do service for Christ.

3. It is Time to offer our bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable which is our reasonable service.

4. It is Time to take the Holy Spirit and run the Christian race, putting on Christ the armour of light.

5. It is Time to pray believing and we will receive.

6. It is Time to go into all the world with the Gospel of Christ.

Bro. Kincaid closed his message with prayer.

22. The association recessed for the noon hour, benediction by J. C. Canipe.

#### NOON RECESS

23. After partaking of a bountiful dinner the Association reconvened at 1:20 p. m. Lloyd Culler conducted the devotional service, prayer by Victor Trivett.

24. In the absence of the members of the Resolution Committee, the moderator appointed W. G. Bond and Wade E. Brown on this committee.

25. Harold Songer presented the report on Benevolences and had charge of the discussion. The report was adopted after being discussed by W. K. McGee from the Baptist Hospital; Marse Grant from the Baptist Orphanage and James M. Hayes from the Baptist Home.

#### REPORT ON BENEVOLENCES

And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master what shall I do to inherit eternal life? He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou? And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbor as thyself. And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right: this do, and thou shalt live. But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbor? And Jesus answering said, A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and

passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him, And went to him, he bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee. Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbor unto him that fell among the thieves? And he said, he that showed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

Luke 10: 25-37

We as the Lord's people are showing ourselves a neighbor to the needy in our Hospital, Orphanage, Baptist Home and Old Ministers Relief. It takes more than just a willing spirit to show yourself a true neighbor. It cost the Samaritan, and it will cost you. Let us increase our gifts to benevolences that the world may know that we are good neighbors, and that Christ may be glorified as we let our light shine.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold S. Songer

Fred Hagaman

By motion duly passed it was ordered that the report be submitted by James M. Hayes relative to the Baptist Home be inserted in the minutes.

### NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOME FOR AGING

The North Carolina Baptist State Convention in its November, 1950, session authorized the committee on the Home for the Aging to make plans for the opening and operation of our Home for the Aging as soon as the committee might find a way to meet the cost of equipping and operating. Because of the drive to raise money for the construction of the new wing to the Baptist Hospital, the Convention instructed the committee for the Home not to expect direct help from the Baptist State Convention during the year 1951.

On January 9, the committee on the Home elected Rev. James M. Hayes, pastor of North Winston Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, superintendent of the Home, and Miss Edna Heinzerling, Director of Nurses of the Baptist Hospital, to serve as supervisor of our Home. The committee decided to open the Home for residents when sufficient funds became available to begin.

There are many evidences of the Lord's favor upon the Home thus far. In the first place, He led in making a home immediately available. Ten years ago the trustees of the Bowman Gray School of Medicine of Wake Forest College leased a three-story, brick-constructed, fireproof building, with an elevator, for a period of 25 years for \$1.00 a year. The committee on the Home was able to secure this building for

15 years at the same rental price. The building accommodates 20 residents at present. The top floor, if completed, would give space for 16 additional residents. The completion of this floor would cost approximately \$23,000. With more than 100 applications for admission already received, and inquiries coming almost daily, one can easily see the pressing need of more space.

The Home has been greatly helped by the gifts received - furniture: office equipment, heating system, blankets, linens, towels, and many other items, as well as discounts on supplies necessary to be purchased. Although the Home has been operating only since March 16, yet it now has assets approximating \$50,000, and is not operating in the red.

Our residents range in age from 67 to 91 years, and come from widely scattered sections of North Carolina - from Franklin to Elizabeth City - the mountains to the sea. Regardless of the sections from which they come, they are a happy, congenial family, all rejoicing in the opportunity to live in the Home. The attitude of all the residents is well expressed in the brief statements of Miss Bertha Callaway, former matron of Mills Home Orphanage: "I like this good Christian home"; and of Mrs. Carroll: "I wouldn't exchange it for any other."

The Home offers four things to those who come to live there: security, comfort, congeniality, and a Christian ministry. With this sort of program, North Carolina Baptists can add years to life, and life to years for those who reside in our Baptist Home for the Aging.

One donor said when he sent his check to the Home: "I believe in this practical kind of Christianity. North Carolina Baptists have waited too long to begin it." Surely it is practical, for Jesus said: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

The committee on the Home challenged North Carolina Baptists to build a home adequate to meet the need of the increasing number of old people from 65 years up. Their program calls for a million dollar plant, which would accommodate 270 residents. With the Lord leading and North Carolina Baptists cooperating, such a plant should be built and in operation within a few years.

"Now also I am old and grayheaded, O God, forsake me not" (Psalm 71:18).

26. Clyde R. Greene read the Treasurer's report which was adopted as read.

GENERAL ASSOCIATED FUND

<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Minute fund	225.78	
Special Collection	22.20	247.98
<b>TOTAL</b>		
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>		
Over Draft	34.27	
1000 Minutes	163.60	
Clerk	40.00	
Postage	6.34	
Programs 1951		
Session	7.50	
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Total		\$251.71
Over Draft		\$3.73



## ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS FUND

## RECEIPTS

Balance 1950	206.08	
From 14 Churches	648.30	
Two Collections for Revival	93.44	
Total		\$947.82

## DISBURSEMENTS

Salary of Associational Missionary	775.00	
Expenses of Revival	70.75	
Total		\$845.75
Balance		\$102.07

27. Woodrow Greene offered the following report of the Finance Committee which was adopted.

## REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Received from the Churches for Minute Fund \$244.93  
Paid to Treasurer 244.93

28. The Clerk read the report of the Nominations Committee. This report was adopted and is given in the Associational Directory.

29. Wade E. Brown offered the report on Resolutions which was adopted without discussion as read.

## REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, the One Hundred Eleventh Session of our Association has been one of the best, and

WHEREAS, the officers of our Association have been untiring in there efforts to promote the program of the Association, now therefore be it resolved:

1. That we express to the people and friends of the Beech Valley Baptist Church our sincere thanks for their splendid hospitality on the first day of the Session and to the people and friends of Poplar Grove Baptist Church for their equally fine hospitality on the second day.

2. That we express to each of the officers of the Association our thanks for their work, especially to our Associational Missionary, Mrs. Blanche Perry.

3. That we have sustained a deep loss in the death of Bro. W. J. Farthing our faithful BTU Director.

Respectfully submitted

Wade E. Brown

W G. Bond

30. The report of the Committee on Time, Place and Preacher was read by Clyde R. Greene and was adopted.

## REPORT ON TIME PLACE AND PREACHER

TIME—Tuesday and Wednesday after the 4th Sunday in Aug. 1952.

PLACE—Mabel first day and Union second day.

PREACHERS—J. L. Thomas, Jr., first day—Alternate Harold Songer  
Albert Tester second day—Bynum Trivett, Alternate.

Respectfully submitted

Barnie Oliver

D. M. Edmisten



31. Marshall Ward conducted the Memorial Service. He read the names of our dead and the Association sang "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" in their memory. After a minute of silent prayer, Herring Crisp closed the Memorial Service with prayer.

32. Kathleen Ward was elected pianist.

33. By motion duly passed the Promotion Committee for the ensuing year is to consist of the Pastors and the Sunday Schools Superintendents. A. C. Moody was named Chairman.

34. The Executive Committee is directed to prepare a "Suggested order of Business" for the 1952 Session.

35. By motion duly made and passed the Clerk is directed to prepare the manuscript for the minutes, have one thousand printed and distributed to the churches and for this work he is to receive \$40.00.

36. A motion prevailed to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

37. C. O. Vance conducted the closing worship service and the One Hundred Eleventh Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association adjourned, benediction by the Moderator, R. C. Eggers.

R. C. Eggers, Moderator  
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk

## OBITUARIES

### OUR BELOVED DEAD

ANTIOCH—Mr. Hard Ward

BEAVER DAM—Mrs. Raleigh Wilson, Mrs. Lona Umphrey

BETHANY—Mr. M. C. Harmon, Mr. Coy Yates

BETHEL—Deacon Carl Farthing, Mr. Oscar Phillips, Mrs. Nancy Presnell, Mr. Wm. J. Farthing.

BLOWING ROCK—Dr. Robert Garvey, Mrs. John Greene.

BOONE—Mr. Harrison Moretz, Mrs. Cora Parks, Mr. Bruce Angel, Mrs. Martha Maltba, Mr. E. L. Payne.

BRUSHY FORK—Mr. T. L. Mast, Mr. Joseph Moody, Deacon D. H. Kendrick, Mrs. Ella Adams.

CLARK'S CREEK—Deacon Joe Lawrence, Mrs. Dovie Coffey.

COOL SPRINGS—Deacon Larry C. Rogers.

ELK KNOB—Mrs. Cora South.

FOREST GROVE—Mrs. Caldonia Henson.

GAP CREEK—Mrs. Julia Lookabill.

GREEN VALLEY—Mrs. Laura Isaacs, Mr. Henry Guy.

HOWARDS CREEK—Mrs. Myra Milton.

LAUREL SPRINGS—Mr. Amos Stanberry, Mr. Sam Greer, Mr. Thomas Greer, Mrs. Grady Green, Lou Clawson, Maggie Miller,

MABEL—Deacon Henry Norris.

MEAT CAMP—Mrs. Ola Brown.

MOUNT CALVARY—Mrs. Rilla Chapell, Mr. T. H. Wes, Mrs. A. A. West, Deacon Fuller Lawrence, Mr. George Ledford, Mr. James Baird, Mr. James Puckett.

MOUNT GILLEAD—Mr. John C. Jones.

MOUNT LEBANON—Mr. John Hartley, Mr. Clingman Hodges.

OAK GROVE—Mr. John Hodges, Mr. Edison Landcaster, Deacon G. W. Rowe.

PLEASANT GROVE—Mr. Robert Wilson, Mr. Wm. Greer, Mr. Chas. Lawrence, Mr. Robv Isaacs, Mr. Roby Shook, Mrs. Leoda Cook.

POPLAR GROVE—Mrs. John Dotson, Mr. Ivan Cook, Mr. Roe Greene.

RICH MOUNTAIN—Deacon L. E. Beach, Mr. H. C. Beach, Mr. J. A.

Penley, Mrs. Martha Brown.  
 SOUTH FORK—Mrs. Laurinda Phillips.  
 STONY FORK—Mrs. A. A. Hamby, Mr. I. M. Carlton, Mrs. Mary Smith.  
 THREE FORKS—Mrs. J. C. Greene.  
 TIMBER RIDGE—Mr. Fred Greene.  
 UNION—Mr. Marion Thomas, Mr. George Johnson, Mrs. Rebecca Stanberry  
 WHITE ROCK—Deacon J. D. Shook.  
 ZION HILL—Mr. Eli Harmon, Mrs. Virgie Harmon.  
 ZIONVILLE—Mrs. Alice Fritts Greer, Mrs. Della Miller.

### PROCEEDING OF THE SPRING SESSION OF THE THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OF NORTH CAROLINA

1. The Spring Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association met with Meat Camp Baptist Church, Boone, N. C. Wednesday, May 9, 1951 at 10:00 a. m.

2. J. L. Thomas led the opening song service and the Moderator R. C. Eggers, called the Session to order.

3. A. C. Moody conducted the opening worship service.

4. C. O. Vance presented the Program for the Session the theme of which was "Reaching Our Young People for Christ."

5. Woodrow Greene discussed "Reaching Our Young People for Christ Through our Sunday Schools."

6. C. J. Farthing discussed "Reaching our Young People for Christ Through our Vacation Bible Schools."

7. "Reaching Our Young People for Christ Through the BTU" was discussed by James Farthing.

8. "The Pastor's Responsibility to Young People" was discussed by J. L. Thomas, Jr., Pastor of Blowing Rock Baptist Church.

9. Adjourned for noon recess, benediction by W. G. Bond.

### NOON RECESS

10. After a bountiful lunch the Association reconvened at 1:00 p. m. Ronda Earp conducted the devotional services.

11. The Clerk called the roll of the churches-nineteen were represented. Thirteen ministers were present and were recognized.

12. The History of Meat Camp Church was discussed by Clyde R. Greene.

13. Hal Shoemaker sang "Have Thine Own Way, Lord".

14. W. G. Bond discussed "Reaching Our Young People for Christ Through Brotherhood."

15. "Reaching Our Young People for Christ Through the WMU" was discussed by Mrs. Blanche Perry.

16. Mrs. Nora M. Wilson brought a message on "Reaching Our Young People for Christ Through Camp.". She introduced Chas. Kincaid and Buddy Wood who told about attending camp.

17. Thanks were expressed to the Meat Camp Baptist Church for the hospitality extended in the splendid way in which the Spring Session was entertained.

18. Dr. John T. Wayland of North Wilkesboro was presented by the Moderator. Dr. Wayland brought a stirring message on "Taking Our Stand for the Right."

19. C. O. Vance announced the School of Missions to be conducted

in the Three Forks during August.

20. The Spring Session adjourned, benediction by Harold Songer.

R. C. Eggers, Moderator

Clyde R. Greene, Clerk.

### MINUTES OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Thirty-Eighth Annual Session of the Women's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Baptist Association met May 5, 1951 with Willowdale Baptist Church, Vilas, N. C.

The Theme for the day's program was, "Found Faithful."

The meeting was opened by singing, "O Worship the King."

C. O. Vance led the meditation period using First Cor. 1:9 and Psalm 89:1 to show God's faithfulness through His creation, His incarnation and His Son.

Special music was rendered by Mrs. Roberta and Miss Peggy Whittington who sang, "When I Get to the End of the Way."

A season of Prayer was led by Mrs. C. J. Farthing, Mrs. Edna Holloway and Mrs. Woodrow Greene.

Several visitors were recognized: Miss Ruth Provence, State Executive Secretary; Mrs. Earl James, Divisional Superintendent; Miss Irene Chambers, Representative of the Home Mission Board; R. C. Eggers; C. O. Vance; A. C. Moody; W. G. Bond; Mrs. Roberta Whittington; Miss Peggy Whittington; T. C. Hodges; B. F. Wellborn and Ernest Greene.

When the roll was called every society answered with the following number present: Blowing Rock 2, Boone 3, Cove Creek 7, Clark's Creek 3, Laurel Springs 3, Mabel 5, Meat Camp 7, Oak Grove 7, Perkinsville 5, Popular Grove 4, Stony Fork 4 and Willowdale 15.

Opportunities that Call for Faithfulness were discussed by Mrs. Earl C. James, Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Mrs. Fred Edmisten, Miss Ruth Provence, Miss Irene Chambers, Mrs. Nora Wilson, John Ward and a group of Junior Royal Ambassadors.

Faithful to the task was the theme of Miss Ruth Provence as she discussed the work of W. M. U. and especially how that beginning with this year the WMU year would be from October to October in line with the Sunday School and Training Union. R. C. Eggers led in prayer.

The congregation, sang "Jesus Calls Us," After which Mrs. Roberta and Miss Peggy Whittington sang, Nailed to the Cross."

The Superintendent appointed the following committees to report during the afternoon session:

OBITUARIES—Mrs. Collis Austin, Mrs. Wade Clawson, and Mrs. Chas. Byrd.

RECOMMENDATIONS—Mrs. C. O. Vance, Mrs. Robert Garvey and Mrs. Herman Eggers.

TIME and PLACE—Mrs. Clyde Wilson, Mrs. Jud Barnes and Mrs. W. H. Stanberry.

A. C. Moody led the closing prayer and asked the blessing on the lunch.



### AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened by singing, "The Woman's Hymn." Doris Vance and Bobbie Greer read the scripture. Mrs. Roberta and Miss Peggy Whittington sang, "Drifting Too Far from the Shore," and Mrs. Robert Garvey led in prayer.

Miss Irene Chambers brought a challenging message as she spoke on, "Found Faithful" and stressed the work of the Home Mission Board and what could be done in the local community.

The reports of all committees were adopted as read.

### OBITUARIES

#### IN MEMORIAN

The friendships of life are the most treasured things that come to us. One by one our friends slip away from us and our hearts sorrow at their passing. Our lives were enriched because we were privileged to share in their friendships. Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved family of the following:

MEAT CAMP W. M. S.—Mrs. Clyde Brown.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Collis Austin, Mrs. Chas. Byrd and Mrs. Wade Clawson.

### RESOLUTIONS

We, the members of the Women's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Baptist Association, who have met in this our Thirty-Eighth annual Session, wish to express our heartfelt thanks for the many blessings received during the past year, therefore be it resolved:

1. That we express our deep appreciation to all the Women of Wil- lowdale Baptist Church for their cordial welcome and their gracious hospitality.

2. That we express gratitude to all who had a part on the program and contributed in work or song to the success of the meeting.

3. That as followers of Christ we rededicate ourselves to the God-given task of telling the glorious gospel of Jesus; and that we recog- nize Christ as the answer to all our problems.

4. That we be found faithful in observing all our seasons of prayer.

5. That the Year Book, published by the W. M. U., be the guide of plans and methods.

6. That we urge advanced training in Christian leadership for our young people with emphasis on the giving of their time, talent and money for Christ.

7. That we strive to enlist our people in reading more mission books that will inspire and lead them to Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. C. O. Vance, Mrs. Robert R. Garvey and Mrs. Herman R. Eg- gers.

### TIME AND PLACE

PLACE—Laurels Springs Baptist Church.

TIME—To be announced later.

Respectfully Submitted

Mrs. Clyde Wilson, Mrs. Jud Barnes and Mrs. W. H. Stanberry.

Miss Provence explained the Inter-racial Institute to be held in Raleigh on July 18-19, 1951. An offering was taken to send Mrs. Roberta Whittington, who sang so beautifully during the program, as a representative of both races at this meeting.

The treasurer made her report which was adopted.

Balance in Treasury April 22, 1951	24.48
Received at Annual Meeting in 1950	18.32
Received as expense Fund	28.10

Total Receipts	\$70.90
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#### DISBURSEMENTS:

Miss Mary Ellen Wooten, Missionary	10.00
Mrs. A. E. Moretz for expenses	15.00
Mrs. A. O. Joines, Div. expenses	14.00
Lunches for Miss Provence and Miss Teague	1.00
Total Expenses	\$40.00
Balance in Treasury May 5, 1951	\$30.90

It was agreed to increase the expense fund from 10c to 25 c per member. Offering May 5th \$ 12.88

The following report of the Nominating Committee was adopted as read:

Superintendent—Mrs. C. J. Farthing, Boone.

Assistant Superintendent—Mrs. Joe McNeil, Vilas.

Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Don C. Perry, Sherwood.

Young Peoples Leader—Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville.

R. A. Counselor—John Ward Reese.

Mission Study Chairman—Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone.

Community Missions Chairman—Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone.

Stewardship Chairman—Mrs. Fred Edmisten.

Training School and Margaret Fund Chairman—Mrs. W. G. Bond, Boone.

Literature and Library Chairman—Mrs. Mabel Berry.

Nominating Committee for 1952: Mrs. Hattie Lewis, Chairman; Mrs. Maxie Edmisten; Mrs. A. E. Moretz; Mrs. Alfred Adams and Mrs. Colis Austin.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Herman R. Eggers, Mrs. Woodrow Green, Mrs. Eda Holloway, Mrs. Myrtie Sherwood and Mrs. Hattie Lewis.

All the newly elected officers were called to the rostrum and Miss Ruth Provence led in prayer of dedication.

W. G. Bond brought the closing meditation and prayer.

Mrs. A. E. Moretz, Superintendent

Mrs. Don C. Perry, Secretary.



Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES		Location Rural V.T.C.	Date Organized	Date of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES		TOTAL				SPECIAL INFORMATION			
							Total Resident Members	Total Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	State Paper in Budget	Are Members Asked to Pledge to Church Budget	No. Known Roman Catholics to Join Church in Year
ANTIPOCH	RURAL	1849	1		R. C. COOK, LENOIR	7	2	9	187	1	--	No	No	NONE
BEAVER DAM	RURAL	1874	1		R. H. SHORE, BLOWING ROCK	9	3	3	229	1	--	No	No	NONE
BEECH VALLEY	RURAL	1941	2-4		BARNIE OLIVER, MABEL	--	--	--	81	1	--	No	No	NONE
BETHANY	RURAL	1898	2-4		ALBERT TESTER, REESE	5	1	5	140	2	--	No	No	NONE
BETHEL	RURAL	1851	2-4		HERRING CRISP, LENOIR	24	7	20	253	1	--	No	No	NONE
BLOWING ROCK	TOWN	1903	ALL		J. L. THOMAS, JR., BLOWING ROCK	15	22	15	207	1	30	No	Yes	1
BOONE	CITY	1870	ALL		W. G. BOND, BOONE	44	85	77	963	2	80	Yes	Yes	NONE
BRUSHY FORK	RURAL	1858	2-4		VICTOR TRIVETT, TRADE, TENNESSEE	8	2	12	174	1	--	No	No	NONE
CLARK'S CREEK	RURAL	1898	1-3		IRA HODGES, BANNER ELK	6	2	3	96	2	--	No	No	NONE
COOL SPRINGS	RURAL	1888	2		BYNUM TRIVETT	--	--	--	125	--	--	No	No	NONE
COVE CREEK	VILLAGE	1799	ALL		HAROLD SONGER, SHERWOOD	6	7	3	236	2	28	No	No	NONE
ELK KNOB	RURAL	1890	1		NOAH JOHNSON, TAMARACK	--	2	1	86	--	--	No	No	NONE
FOREST GROVE	RURAL	1889	1-3		L. H. HAGMAN, BEECH CREEK	10	1	4	160	2	--	No	No	NONE
FRIENDSHIP	RURAL	1948	1		S. S. GRAYBEAL, CRESTON	--	--	--	70	1	--	No	No	NONE
GAP CREEK	RURAL	1887			REX WEST, CHARLOTTE	9	--	6	135	2	--	No	No	NONE
GREEN VALLEY	RURAL	1946	2-4		L. H. HAGMAN, BEECH CREEK	3	1	4	116	2	2	No	No	NONE
HOWARDS CREEK	RURAL	1888	2-4		W. C. PAYNE, BLOWING ROCK	--	--	--	135	2	--	No	No	NONE
LAUREL SPRINGS	RURAL	1873	1-3		VICTOR TRIVETT, TRADE, TENNESSEE	26	4	11	310	2	10	No	No	NONE
MABEL	VILLAGE	1948	2-4		L. H. HAGMAN, BEECH CREEK	4	1	2	74	2	12	No	No	NONE
MEAT CAMP	RURAL	1851	1-3		R. E. HENDRIX, BOONE	15	6	8	207	2	--	No	No	NONE
MIDDLE FORK	RURAL	1905			A. C. MOODY, VILAS	7	2	1	157	1	--	No	No	NONE
MOUNTAIN DALE	RURAL	1941	2-4		BARNIE OLIVER, MABEL	8	1	1	81	2	--	No	No	NONE
MOUNT CALVARY	VILLAGE	1880	ALL		GLENN GENTRY, ELK PARK	7	--	11	219	1	1	No	No	NONE
MOUNT GILEAD	RURAL	1869	1-3		RONDA EARP, VILAS	2	--	7	78	2	--	No	No	NONE
MOUNT LEBANON	RURAL	1891	3		L. H. HAGMAN, BEECH CREEK	17	2	10	258	2	--	No	No	NONE
OAK GROVE	VILLAGE	1916	ALL		C. O. VANCE, VILAS	5	11	18	274	2	30	No	No	NONE
PERKINSVILLE	TOWN	1947	ALL		C. H. KIRCAID, BOONE	26	15	5	180	1	30	No	No	NONE
PLEASANT GROVE	RURAL	1891	ALL			7	3	16	478	2	3	No	No	NONE
POPULAR GROVE	RURAL	1872	ALL		A. C. MOODY, VILAS	11	3	5	183	1	--	Yes	No	NONE



Table B—THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	Sunday School Superintendents and Addresses	SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT										V. B. S.				
		Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Extension Department	Officers Not Counted Classes and Departments	Mission Sunday School Enrollment	Grand Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible School Enrollment	Average Attendance
ANTIUCH	EARL TESTER, SUGAR GROVE	--	--	10	7	8	8	15	30	--	7	85	50	60	50	
BEAVER DAM	CARL WILSON, REESE	--	--	18	15	18	22	35	40	--	4	152	125	--	--	
BEECH VALLEY	AGIE INGUIRE, BEECH CREEK	--	--	11	14	17	19	20	27	--	--	108	48	--	--	
BETHANY	M. P. WARD, BALM	--	6	12	6	12	10	10	16	--	2	74	57	53	38	
BETHEL	EDWARD FATHING, SUGAR GROVE	--	--	18	18	23	21	19	64	--	--	163	105	--	--	
BLOWING ROCK	KENT K. BROWN, BLOWING ROCK	--	16	11	22	20	6	10	24	--	5	114	62	98	86	
BOONE	WADE E., BROWN, BOONE	82	89	57	62	70	87	233	272	--	4	60	1016	375	103	83
BRUSHY FORK	EARL COLVARD, VILAS	--	8	12	13	18	10	32	66	--	7	166	101	--	--	
CLARES CREEK	W. C. SMITH, ROMINGER	--	--	12	14	15	--	16	35	--	--	92	69	--	--	
COOL SPRINGS	W. W. AUSTIN, SHULLS MILLS	--	--	10	--	11	20	--	24	--	--	65	45	--	--	
COVE CREEK	JAMES SHERWOOD, VILAS	13	6	14	13	18	9	27	79	26	--	179	104	121	98	
ELK KNOB	SAM S., SOUTH, TAMARACK	--	4	8	6	--	10	--	15	--	5	48	30	--	--	
FOREST GROVE		--	--	5	10	15	11	29	34	--	--	104	60	--	--	
FRIENDSHIP	RUSSELL GARLAND, TRADE, TENNESSEE	--	4	12	--	14	--	10	35	--	--	75	65	30	28	
GAP CREEK	EDWARD CREEK, BROWNWOOD	--	--	12	14	10	10	10	30	--	--	86	70	60	55	
GREEN VALLEY	RON TESTER, SUGAR GROVE	--	--	11	11	12	13	12	30	--	2	91	77	--	--	
HOWARDS CREEK	D. W. COOK, BOONE	--	--	5	5	7	13	13	22	--	--	65	55	--	--	
LAUREL SPRINGS	JOE COFFEY, JR., LAYTON	--	--	20	15	11	21	29	38	--	--	134	134	62	48	
MABEL	HOWARD YOUNCE, VILAS	--	--	5	7	--	10	15	27	--	1	65	50	53	34	
MET CAMP	W. C. BROWN, BOONE	--	7	18	15	9	27	60	33	--	--	169	109	--	--	
MIDDLE FORK	PERRY ASHLEY, BLOWING ROCK	--	--	9	22	20	33	30	36	--	--	150	63	--	--	
MOUNTAIN DALE	ROY NORRIS, REESE	--	--	10	10	10	12	12	20	--	--	74	58	--	--	
MOUNT CALVARY	Wm. PICKETT, BANNER ELK	--	--	8	9	12	--	10	30	--	--	69	45	--	--	
MOUNT GILEAD	CLYDE BUNTON, HEATON	--	--	10	--	8	--	10	18	--	--	46	35	--	--	
MOUNT LEBANON	T. T. DANNER, VALLE GAUSTIS	--	--	14	14	15	20	25	30	--	8	126	90	--	--	
OAK GROVE	L. M. HODGES, BOONE	--	10	13	14	16	26	53	69	--	--	201	127	116	106	
PERKINSVILLE	BOYD COOK, BOONE	--	10	8	20	26	22	14	72	--	3	175	135	79	71	
PLEASANT GROVE	LAWRENCE WILSON, ZIONVILLE	52	--	32	31	55	58	54	87	--	12	381	207	97	76	
POPULAR GROVE	ROY WILLIAMS, JR., BOONE	--	--	12	12	19	23	14	40	--	+	120	95	--	--	

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CHURCHES		SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT													V. B. S.		
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	Sunday School Superintendents and Addresses																
PROFFIT GROVE	LLOYD BRYAN, ZIONVILLE	--	12	7	13	10	14	19	--	--	--	85	60	75	--	--	--
RICH MOUNTAIN	T. O. EGGERS, ZIONVILLE	--	10	--	10	--	8	17	--	--	--	70	45	--	--	--	--
RUTHERWOOD		--	10	12	10	20	40	56	--	--	--	148	84	--	--	--	--
SHULLS MILLS	C. M. SHORE, SHULLS MILLS	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	65	40	--	--	--	--
SOUTH FORK	E. R. MIKEAL, TODD	--	5	5	10	10	20	45	--	8	--	108	69	--	--	--	--
STONY FORK	HARLEN GREENE, DEEP GAP	--	10	16	20	30	22	38	46	--	--	182	132	--	--	--	--
TABERNACLE	MITTON MORETZ, BOONE	2	--	5	4	5	9	--	10	--	--	35	25	20	15	--	--
THREE FORKS	JAMES JUSTIN, BOONE	--	10	20	18	24	20	27	70	--	--	189	160	100	85	--	--
TIMBERED RIDGE	MARVIE MOORE, SUGAR GROVE	8	--	6	--	10	6	8	12	--	--	50	45	--	--	--	--
UNION	IVAN YOUNG, MABEL	--	5	15	12	15	15	55	--	--	117	90	--	--	--	--	
WINDY ROCK	PAUL ARNETT, BALM	--	12	10	12	10	--	20	33	--	--	97	60	--	--	--	--
WILDCRANE	ROY HICKS, VILAS	--	9	8	20	20	10	47	--	--	114	72	58	51	--	--	
WILLOW VALLEY	SPENGER CABLE, SUGAR GROVE	--	6	7	11	7	20	49	--	--	100	60	68	60	--	--	
ZION HILL	STACY MOODY, BEECH CREEK	--	6	--	11	11	27	21	--	2	--	78	55	--	--	--	--
ZIONVILLE	EARL MILLER, ZIONVILLE	--	10	12	12	25	27	31	65	--	--	182	132	--	--	--	--
Totals		157	207	529	519	690	698	1095	1888	26	70	6013	3775	1253	984	--	--

Table C TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES		TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	No. Nursery Units	No. Beginner Units	No. Primary Units	No. Junior Units	No. Intermediate Units	No. Young People Units	Adult Units	No. Mission Units	Total Number Units	Nursery Enrolled	Beginners Enrolled	Primaries Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Adults Enrolled	Mission Enrollment	General Officers Enrolled	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance
BOONE		H. W. WILCOX, BOONE	1	---	1	3	2	4	3	---	14	10	---	15	30	30	120	50	---	2	257	100
BRUSHY FORK		BETTY LEE ANDERSON, VILAS	---	1	---	1	---	1	1	---	4	---	8	---	16	---	12	12	---	---	48	31
COVE CREEK		MRS. VELMA BURNLEY, VILAS	---	1	---	1	1	1	2	---	6	---	7	---	16	10	21	28	---	---	82	60
FOREST GROVE		J. G. JOHNSON, REEBE	---	---	1	---	---	1	1	---	3	---	---	---	20	---	35	20	---	3	78	50
MAEL		MRS. R. H. TOWNSEND, ZIONVILLE	---	---	1	---	---	1	1	---	3	---	---	10	---	---	18	20	---	3	51	35
NEAT CAMP		A. E. ROBERTZ, BOONE	---	---	---	1	1	---	1	---	3	---	---	---	---	12	10	---	---	---	42	27
ONY GROVE		JOHN WARD, BOONE	---	---	1	1	1	1	1	---	5	---	---	10	12	13	31	35	---	---	101	65
PLEASANT GROVE		MRS. RUBY PERRY, ZIONVILLE	---	---	2	2	1	---	1	---	6	---	---	---	31	35	21	23	---	---	110	63
POPULAR GROVE		MARTHA AUSTIN, SHALLS MILLS	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	50	45
RUTHERWOOD		FRED C. NIGRIS, BOONE	---	---	---	---	1	1	1	---	3	---	---	---	---	8	24	11	---	2	45	38
WILLOWDALE		DORIS VANCE, VILAS	---	---	1	1	1	---	1	---	3	---	---	---	12	16	---	19	---	---	47	35
WILLOW VALLEY		GEORGE HAMMON, SUGAR GROVE	---	---	1	1	---	1	1	---	4	---	---	4	7	---	15	25	---	2	53	50
<b>Totals</b>			1	2	4	12	9	12	14	---	54	10	15	39	156	122	297	263	---	12	964	589



Table D WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION —

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND ADDRESSES											Total Tithers All Organizations												
	W. M. S. Units	Y. W. A. Units	G. A. Units	R. A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W. M. S. Enrolled	Y. W. A. Enrolled	G. A. Enrolled	R. A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled		Total Enrolled	Enrolled in Mission Study										
Blowing Rock	1	---	1	---	1	3	24	---	8	---	9	41	28	19										
Boone	5	1	2	2	1	11	93	10	22	15	24	164	---	---										
Clarks Creek	1	---	---	---	---	1	6	---	---	---	---	6	---	---										
Cove Creek	1	1	2	1	1	6	35	8	19	7	14	83	47	28										
Laurel Springs	1	---	---	---	---	1	23	---	---	---	---	23	---	10										
Label	1	---	---	---	---	1	15	---	---	---	---	15	---	12										
Next Camp	1	---	---	---	---	1	15	---	---	---	---	15	---	3										
Oak Grove	1	1	1	1	1	5	32	10	9	8	12	71	71	19										
Perkinsville	1	---	1	---	---	2	21	---	12	---	---	33	12	---										
Poplar Grove	1	---	---	---	---	1	20	---	---	---	---	20	---	---										
Stony Fork	1	---	1	---	1	3	12	---	10	---	8	30	---	---										
Willowdale	1	---	---	---	---	1	26	---	---	---	---	26	---	---										
Willow Valley	1	---	---	---	---	1	12	---	---	---	---	12	---	---										
Totals											17	3	8	4	5	37	334	28	80	30	67	539	158	91







## EXPENDITURES

## RECEIPTS

Table F CHURCH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES													Grand Total Local Expense
CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	All Receipts Through All Organizations for Year	Total Salaries (Do Not Include Pastor's Salary Here)	Maintenance, Insurance	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary	
PROFFIT GROVE	RALPH PROFFIT, ZIONVILLE	511 84	16 00	--	48 58	96 34	89 60	--	--	91 55	854 51	294 05	1148 56
RIGH MOUNTAIN	T. O. EGGERS, ZIONVILLE	--	--	--	36 78	98 50	--	--	--	--	135 28	184 00	319 28
RUTHERWOOD	GLENN BODENHAMMER, BOONE	--	255 50	--	85 86	83 66	138 03	388 34	--	129 85	1081 24	347 72	1408 71
SHULLS MILLS	----	--	4 00	--	34 48	39 27	--	--	--	76 68	154 43	206 08	360 51
SOUTH FORK	W. G. COOK, TODD	60 00	--	--	147 00	19 27	168 97	--	--	--	375 24	519 25	894 49
STONY FORK	J. E. GREENE, STONY FORK	199 86	80 00	--	149 41	202 16	197 50	--	--	166 84	986 77	760 70	1747 47
TABERNACLE	LLOYD STANBERRY, BOONE	--	--	--	21 08	--	28 55	--	--	44 50	94 13	178 93	273 06
THREE FORKS	JAMES AUSTIN, BOONE	120 00	77 25	296 64	193 47	69 45	197 09	1800 00	--	266 75	3020 65	834 12	3854 77
TIMBERED RIDGE	LLOYD DISHMAN, REESE	24 00	180 00	12 00	25 00	--	60 00	--	--	112 00	413 00	289 54	702 54
UNION	STANLEY NORRIS, MABEL	--	154 24	--	80 64	62 00	50 00	--	--	100 56	447 44	325 00	772 44
WHITE ROCK	Mrs. H. H. SHOOK, BANNER ELK	--	40 10	114 99	49 95	35 00	293 41	--	--	--	524 45	552 39	1046 84
WILLOWDALE	FRED BLAIR, VILAS	99 00	21 60	2300 00	102 76	63 00	150 00	--	--	236 74	2973 10	1130 00	4103 10
WILLOW VALLEY	Mrs. YONNIE GREENE, SUGAR GROVE	60 00	--	--	--	--	95 13	1560 00	--	116 93	1832 06	387 28	2119 34
ZION HILL	GRADON HAGAMAN, BEECH CREEK	--	--	163 00	36 00	26 41	45 00	--	--	--	270 41	300 00	570 41
ZIONVILLE	Mrs. W. K. WILSON, ZIONVILLE	262 00	24 00	--	76 15	95 25	153 43	--	--	768 64	1379 47	897 57	2277 04
	<b>Totals</b>	5980 03	7006 67	18150 08	5620 41	4663 43	5367 09	7019 34	7332 95	63969 30	30208 70	93398 00	



CHURCHES		CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES											Grand Total Expenditure for All Purposes
		Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education Schools	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Relief and Annuity, Relief, etc.	Total Expenditure for Missions		
ARTLOCK	DWIGHT CABLE, SUGAR GROVE	--	--	8 85	--	--	--	38 41	71 00	--	--	118 26	861 86
BEAVER DAM	C. B. REESE, TRADE, TENNESSEE	--	--	--	--	--	--	50 82	17 50	--	--	68 32	821 28
BEECH VALLEY	SAM L. WARD, BEECH CREEK	--	--	--	--	--	--	11 70	10 00	--	--	21 70	1229 55
BETHANY	M. P. WARD, BALM	--	--	9 33	--	--	--	40 86	14 76	--	--	64 95	1987 82
BETHEL	HOWARD LAWRENCE, SUGAR GROVE	--	--	15 00	--	92 00	--	206 23	105 07	--	--	418 30	2143 49
BLOWING ROCK	J. D. JONES, BLOWING ROCK	265 33	13 00	70 83	130 35	137 25	--	38 61	103 60	39 16	799 73	4679 80	
BOONE	J. T. C. WRIGHT, BOONE	3012 38	305 00	161 00	100 00	286 55	1050 00	442 50	482 70	179 84	6020 07	21652 25	
BROUGH FORK	MINNIE DAKE GREENE, VILAS	56 86	--	13 38	--	52 48	--	37 18	42 00	--	201 85	3568 47	
CLARKS CREEK	ROBERT GREENE, BANNER ELK	--	--	11 00	4 00	3 00	5 00	68 00	--	--	91 00	1674 12	
COOL SPRINGS	VIRGIE ROGERS, BLOWING ROCK	--	--	--	--	--	--	69 65	--	--	69 65	439 80	
COVE CREEK	MRS. MAE R. PAYNE, SUGAR GROVE	422 76	70 00	49 47	40 58	83 62	--	159 04	16 37	109 67	951 51	6325 40	
ELK HUBB	W. C. SOUTH, TAMMACK	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	7 00	--	7 00	252 00	
FOREST GROVE	CHAS. JOHNSON, REESE	7 61	--	--	--	--	--	7 61	12 29	--	27 51	975 31	
FRIENDSHIP	GLENN MAY, TRADE, TENNESSEE	--	--	5 40	8 00	--	22 25	23 67	11 49	--	70 93	590 63	
GAP CREEK	R. D. WELBORN, DEEP GAP	--	--	--	2 17	4 40	--	34 92	15 15	--	56 64	821 98	
GREEN VALLEY	FONZO TESTER, SUGAR GROVE	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	7 55	--	7 55	791 34	
HOWARDS CREEK	GUY NORRIS, BOONE	--	--	--	--	--	--	32 48	--	--	32 48	732 10	
LAUREL SPRINGS	JOE L. COFFEY, LADON	45 37	8 90	7 15	18 22	19 33	--	155 00	39 36	--	293 33	5211 90	
MAEL	MRS. HELEN WILLIAMS, MAEL	5 14	--	--	--	--	--	--	16 00	--	21 14	1213 08	
MEAT CAMP	M. C. BROWN, BOONE	6 05	21 00	13 00	12 85	14 00	72 05	149 84	42 73	12 81	344 33	1467 37	
MIDDLE FORK	J. L. SMOKE, BLOWING ROCK	5 00	--	3 00	--	--	--	--	11 15	--	19 15	253 00	
MOUNTAIN DALE	CLAY PHILLIPS, REESE	--	--	--	--	--	--	9 54	--	42 96	52 50	2973 67	
MOUNT CALVARY	MRS. HOMER SHOCKMAKER, BALM	6 00	--	19 10	72 06	--	--	59 50	37 80	5 50	199 96	2060 17	
MOUNT GILEAD	W. L. GREENWELL, HEATON	--	--	--	--	--	--	13 44	3 00	--	16 44	285 49	
MOUNT LEBANON	LEWIS L. MOORE, VILAS	--	--	--	--	--	--	49 95	--	78 25	128 20	494 26	
OK GROVE	MRS. L. M. HODGES, BOONE	92 28	102 00	79 52	34 15	72 50	--	84 00	80 00	50 62	595 07	4149 28	
PEKINVILLE	WOODROW GREENE, BOONE	144 44	60 50	126 70	27 50	27 64	--	99 34	129 60	--	615 72	5876 60	
PLEASANT GROVE	DON H. PERRY, ZIONVILLE	18 64	--	--	--	--	--	103 42	28 15	294 55	444 79	5097 13	
POPLAR GROVE	HENRY AUSTIN, BOONE	36 00	31 38	20 00	16 35	20 00	10 00	162 01	41 34	8 00	345 08	1785 50	











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TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 1952

AND

**UNION BAPTIST CHURCH**

MABEL, N. C.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 1952

THE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH SESSION TO BE  
HELD WITH SOUTH FORK BAPTIST CHURCH

TODD, N. C.

AUGUST 25, 1953 AND

GREEN VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH, REESE, N. C.

AUGUST 26, 1953

Victor Trivett to preach Annual Sermon

Lloyd Culler, Alternate

Rex West to preach on Second Day,

Ira Hodges, Alternate



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SOUTH FORK**

**Tuesday, August 25, 1953**

- 9:00—Opening Worship
- 9:20—Address of Moderator
- 9:40—Report on Public Morals
- 10:10—Report of Executive Committee
- 10:40—Report on Religious Literature
- 11:10—Roll Call of Messengers and Miscellaneous
- 11:25—Annual Sermon — Victor Trivett

**Noon Recess**

- 1:00—Devotional
- 1:15—Woman's Work
- 1:45—Report on Missions (Associational, State, Home and Foreign)
- 3:15—Closing Worship

**GREEN VALLEY**

**Wednesday, August 26, 1953**

- 9:00—Opening Worship
- 9:15—Report on Associational Progress
- 9:45—Christian Education (Sunday Schools, Baptist Training Union, Brotherhood and Colleges)
- 11:15—Election of Officers and Miscellaneous
- 11:30—Sermon — Rex West

**Noon Recess**

- 1:15—Devotional
- 1:30—Report on Benevolences (Orphanage, Hospital and Old Ministers' Relief)
- 2:45—Report of Treasurer, Finance Committee, Nominations, Resolutions and Time, Place and Preacher)
- 3:15—Memorial Service
- 3:35—Miscellaneous, Reading of Minutes and Closing Worship

**ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY  
OFFICERS**

R. C. Eggers, Moderator and Colporteur	Zionville
Wade E. Brown, Vice-Moderator	Boone
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk-Treasurer	Boone
C. J. Farthing, Historian	Boone
Woodrow Greene, Sunday School Director	Boone
Ralph Beshears, B. T. U. Director	Boone
I. S. Ayers, Brotherhood Director	Boone
C. O. Vance, Hospital Director	Boone
Russell D. Hodges, Orphanage Director	Boone
Harold Songer, Baptist Home Director	Sherwood
Mrs. Blanche Perry, Associational Missionary and Librarian	Sherwood
Rex West, Song Leader	Zionville
Kathleen Ward, Pianist	Boone

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Wade E. Brown, Chairman	Boone
S. C. Eggers	Boone
Dallas Wilson	Reese
I. B. Wilson	Zionville
L. E. Wilson	Zionville
R. C. Eggers	Zionville
Clyde R. Greene	Boone

**ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE**

Rex West	Zionville
Harold Songer	Sherwood
L. H. Hollingsworth	Boone

**ASSOCIATIONAL FINANCE COMMITTEE**

James Farthing	Boone
C. O. Vance	Boone
Mrs. Nora Wilson	Zionville
Woodrow Greene	Boone
Henry Austin	Boone

**PROMOTION COMMITTEE**

The Promotion Committee is composed of ALL PASTORS and the following:

Howard Cable, Sugar Grove	James R. Martin, Zionville
Paul Edmisten, Beech Creek	Woodrow Eggers, Reese
Marshall Farthing, Roinger	Edmund Farthing, Sugar Grove
Wade E. Brown, Boone	John Walsler, Blowing Rock
W. C. Smith, Rominger	Coy Love, Vilas
James L. Sherwood, Vilas	W. W. Austin, Boone
J. G. Johnson, Reese	Sam S. South, Tamarack
Edmond Cheek, Deep Gap	Russell Garland, Trade, Tenn.
D. W. Cook, Boone	Jack Farthing, Reese
Blan Norris, Sherwood	Joe Coffey, Jr. Laxon
Mrs. Susan Triplett, B. Rock	A. E. Moretz, Boone
Burlie Cornett, Reese	Wm. Puckett, Banner Elk
Paul Hayes, Vilas	Clyde Bunton, Heaton
Boyd Cook, Boone	Ralph Beshears, Boone
Mrs. Eda Holloway, Boone	Cling Eggers, Zionville
James McNeil, Zionville	Lloyd Bryan, Zionville
C. M. Shore, Shulls Mills	Howard H. Parlier, Deep Gap
Harlen Greene, Deep Gap	E. R. Mikeal, Todd
James Austin, Boone	Fred Micheal, Boone
Edward Norris, Mabel	John Ward, Reese
Spencer Cable, Sugar Grove	Paul Arnett, Balm
	Stacy Moody, Beech Creek

**COMMITTEES TO REPORT TO THE 1953 SESSION**

Associational Progress	Ralph Beshears and Stacy Eggers
Benevolences	L. H. Hollingsworth and S. C. Eggers
Christian Education	Wade Brown and James Sherwood
Memorial Service	Mrs. Woodrow Greene and Mrs. Ruby Perry
Missions	Kent Brown and Woodrow Greene
Public Morals	Bynum Trivett and L. H. Hagaman



Religious Literature .....	Harold Songer and A. C. Moody
Resolutions .....	Grady Wilson and John Hagaman
W. M. U. ....	Mrs. H. R. Eggers and Kathleen Ward

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Associate Director .....	Velma Burnley, Vilas
Secretary-Treasurer .....	John Ward, Boone
Choirster .....	W. M. Hodges, Boone
Pianist .....	Kathleen Ward, Boone
Pastor-Advisor .....	Harold Songer, Sherwood
Adult Leader .....	Maude Perry, Sherwood
Young Peoples Leader .....	Mrs. Ruby Perry, Zionville
Intermediate Leader .....	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville
Junior Leader .....	Burl Greene, Boone
Story Hour Leader .....	Mrs. C. O. Vance, Boone
Group Directors .....	J. L. Shore, Blowing Rock
	Hoy Greene, Boone
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Superintendent V. B. S. ....	C. J. Farthing, Boone
Superintendent of Evangelism .....	Rex West, Zionville
Superintendent of Enlargement .....	C. O. Vance, Boone
Superintendent of Training .....	L. H. Hollingsworth, Boone
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Choister .....	W. M. Hodges, Boone
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Beginners Superintendent .....	Mrs. Kent Brown, Blowing Rock
Primary Superintendent .....	Mrs. Ruby Michael, Boone
Junior Superintendent .....	Mrs. Victor Trivett, Vilas
Intermediate Superintendent .....	Mrs. Dorothy Greene
Young Peoples Superintendent .....	Mrs. Kathleen Ward, Boone
Adult Superintendent .....	Lee Anderson, Vilas
Extension Dept. Superintendent .....	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville
Group Superintendents .....	Earl Greene, Boone
	Edgar Greene, Vilas
	W. R. Vines, Sugar Grove

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Assistant Superintendent .....	Mrs. Joe McNeil, Vilas
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Young Peoples Leader .....	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville
Y. W. A. Leader .....	Mrs. James Farthing, Boone
G. A. Leader .....	Mrs. Woodrow Greene, Boone
Sunbeam Leader .....	Mrs. A. C. Moody, Vilas

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Bethel — E. J. Farthing	Sugar Grove
Blowing Rock — J. M. Hodges	Blowing Rock
Boone — L. H. Hollingsworth	Boone
D. M. Edmisten	Boone
W. F. Smith	Boone
Brushy Fork — Victor Trivett	Vilas
Ronda Earp	Vilas
Cool Springs — W. C. Payne	Blowing Rock
Howard Shore	Whitnel
Cove Creek — Harold Songer	Sherwood
James Sherwood	
Forest Grove — Fred Hagaman	Vilas
Dave Greene	Vilas
Friendship — Glenn South	Trade, Tenn.
Cartie Eggers	Hickory
Laurel Springs — W. C. Greene	Laxon
Mabel — Barnie Oliver	Mabel
Meat Camp — N. M. Greene	Boone
A. E. Moretz	Boone
Middle Fork — R. H. Shore	Blowing Rock
James Matney	Cornell, Okla.
Mount Calvary — R. L. Painter	Balm
Mount Lebanon — T. T. Danner	Valle Crucis
Oak Grove — C. O. Vance	Boone
Perkinsville — Tipton Greene	Boone
Pleasant Grove — Rex West	Zionville
John Hagaman	Zionville
Rutherford — A. E. Church	Boone
Stoney Fork — H. H. Smith	Deep Gap
Bynum Trivett	Stony Fork
Three Forks — Raymond Hendrix	Boone
Timbered Ridge — Albert Tester	Blowing Rock
Union — Arent Greer	Mabel
White Rock — Wm. H. Smith	Banner Elk
Robert Allen	Rominger
Willow Valley — Oscar Ward	Sugar Grove
Zion Hill — L. H. Hagaman	Beech Creek
Zionville — R. C. Eggers	Zionville
Dewey Trivett	Zionville

**LICENTIATES**

Bethany	A. T. Watson, Rominger
	Gold Hicks, Rominger
Blowing Rock	Ernest A. Banner, Jr., B. Rock
Brushy Fork	Earl Colvard, Vilas
Meat Camp	Robert Proffit, Boone
Timbered Ridge	John Ward, Reese

**MESSENGERS**

ANTIOCH — M. L. Shepherd, M. P. Trivett and Bessie Ward  
 BEAVER DAM — Lee Swift, Clay Robinson and Carl Wilson  
 BEECH VALLEY—Bernice Trivett, Ella Phillips and Carrie Harmon

- BETHEL — D. F. Greene, W. W. Wilson and Howard Lawrence
- BETHANY — M. P. Ward, Victor Farthing and Edd Yates
- BLCWINING ROCK — John Walser, Myrtle Young and Mrs. R. R. Garvey
- BOONE — Wade E. Brown, S. C. Eggers and Clyde R. Greene
- BUSHY FORK — Andy Greer, Reatha Wilson and Coy Love
- CLARKS CREEK — Basil Tester, Robert Greene and Mrs. Robert Greene
- COOL SPRINGS — W. C. Payne, Ronda Hartley and Virgie Rogers
- COVE CREEK — Nora Wilson, Alice Banner and Rose Combs
- ELK KNOB — Lovill South, Grady Potter and Eliga Greer
- FOREST GROVE — Hill Eggers, Geo. Roark and Dave Greene
- FRIENDSHIP — Russell Garland, Don Bumgardner and Johnnie Ward
- GAP CREEK — Mrs. R. G. Luther, A. G. Miller and Edmond Cheek
- GREEN VALLEY — Jack Farthing, Albert Ward and Fonzo Tester
- HOWARDS CREEK — Guy H. Norris, L. H. Cottrell and W. L. Tester
- LAUREL SPRINGS — Joe Coffey, Mrs. Joe Coffey and Clarence Greene
- MABEL — M. L. Warren, John Oliver and Mrs. Helen Williams
- MEAT CAMP — Wade Byers, Warren Greene and Clyde Brown
- MIDDLE FORK — Blum Triplett, Neil Ashley and J. L. Shore
- MOUNT CALVARY — R. E. Smith, Wm. Puckett and Homer Shoemaker
- MOUNTAIN DALE — Collis Greene, C. T. Cornett and Burlie Cornett
- MOUNT GILEAD — Ted Neece, Luther Bunton and Arnold Ward
- MOUNT LEBANON — Leonard Hayes, Carrie Hayes and Horace Walls
- OAK GROVE — D. C. Michael, Joe McNeil and Mrs. Joe McNeil
- PERKINSVILLE — Mrs. Hoye Greene, Mrs. Frank Triplett and Mrs. Ralph Hartley
- PLEASANT GROVE — Cling Eggers, Lawrence Wilson and Floyd Greene
- POPLAR GROVE — W. M. Day, Collis Austin and Roosevelt Harmon
- PROFFIT GROVE — W. A. Proffit, L. E. Wilson and Herman Bryan
- RICH MOUNTAIN — Frank Culler, Grady Beach and Mrs. Grady Beach
- RUTHERWOOD — Mrs. Mae Bodenhammer, Mrs. Bulah Bodenhammer and Mrs. Willa Mae Cook
- SHULLS MILLS — Paul Day, Lois Teague and Mamie Harbin
- SOUTH FORK — Page Norris, Leslie Norris and Lester Moretz
- STONY FORK — Boyd Greene, Bob Hagaman and Raytee Greene
- TABERNACLE — K. W. Brown, Lloyd Stansberry and Glenn Stansberry

- THREE FORKS — James Austin, Mrs. R. T. Greer and Mrs. Jones Hollar  
TIMBERED RIDGE — Spencer May, Fred McGuire and John Ward  
UNION — Frank Main, Graydon Campbell and Marvin Norris  
WHITE ROCK — Linda Shook, Pauline Rupard and Charles Townsend  
WILLOWDALE — Roy Hicks, Mrs. Ada Elliott and W. R. Greene  
WILLOW VALLEY — Leonard Ward, Ronda Norris and Custer Ward  
ZION HILL — Stacy Moody, Ronald Ward and Henry Haganman  
ZIONVILLE — N. T. Byers, Ross Potter and Edd Bumgardner

## Constitution

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who, on producing letters from their respective church certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, the ministers being ex-officio.
2. In the letters from the different churches is to be expressed their numbers in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed by letter, excommunicated and dead since last Association.
3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any special power over the churches. They shall not infringe upon any internal right of any church in this Union.
4. The Association shall have a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and clerk who shall be chosen annually by the suffrage of the members present.
5. New churches or any regular church of Christ being legally dismissed by letter by any sister Association upon application and delegates, shall be admitted to our Union.
6. Every church in the Association shall be entitled to representation in the Association.
7. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be once read and before it is debated the Moderator shall put it to a vote, and if there is a majority for it being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and be debated, but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.
8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.
9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of their proceedings. The best method of accomplishing this purpose shall be at the direction of the future Associations.
10. We think it is absolutely necessary that we shall have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For the raising and supporting of which we think it to be the duty of each church in the Union to contribute annually such



sums as they may think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association. The money thus raised shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer, appointed by the Association, who shall be accountable for the same. He shall pay the money out from time to time as the Association may direct.

11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for this service.

12. The minutes of this Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and the Clerk before the Association rises.

13. Amendments to the plans or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association when they deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months prior notice.

14. The Association shall have power:

To provide for the general union of the churches.

To endeavor to preserve a chain of union amongst the churches.

To give the churches the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

To appropriate the money contributed by the churches for an Associational fund to any purpose they may think proper.

To have power to withdraw from any church in their Union who shall violate the rules of this Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

To correspond with sister Associations.

To invite any Baptist in the ministry to a seat in the Association, who may be present at the time of their sitting.

To adjourn the Association to any future time and place they may think proper and most convenient to the churches of the Union.

## Rules Of Decorum

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

3. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect upon the person who spoke before him as to make remarks on his steps, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state the matter as he can do so as to give his views or ideas.

4. No person shall abruptly break or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

5. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on any one subject without liberty from the Association.

6. No member shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same or whispering in the time of public speaking.



7. No member shall address another in any other appellation than that of brother.

8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

9. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as required by the Association.

10. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any of the other members, provided the chair be filled. He shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION  
THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION  
OF NORTH CAROLINA  
HELD WITH MABLE BAPTIST CHURCH  
MABLE, NORTH CAROLINA  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 1952  
AND WITH UNION BAPTIST CHURCH  
MABLE, NORTH CAROLINA  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 1952  
FIRST DAY — Tuesday, August 26, 1952  
MORNING SESSION**

1. The One Hundred Twelfth Annual Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina met with Mable Baptist Church, Mable, North Carolina at 9:20 A. M. Tuesday, August 26, 1952.

2. The congregation sang, "Amazing Grace" led by C. J. Farthing. Victor Trivett conducted the opening devotional service, reading from the 5th chapter of Eph. verses 11-19.

3. The Moderator, R. C. Eggers, called the One Hundred Twelfth Session to order for the transaction of business.

4. The pastor of the host church, L. H. Hagaman, offered words of welcome.

5. R. C. Eggers delivered the Moderator's Address on the subject of "Prayer."

6. C. O. Vance presented the suggested program for the Session as prepared by the Executive Committee. This program was adopted.

7. C. H. Kincaid brought the report of Public Morals and led the discussion. The discussion was continued by R. M. Haus and Ed. J. Farthing and it was adopted.

**REPORT ON PUBLIC MORALS**

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the father but is of the world. 1 John 2:15-16 Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived thereby is not

wise. Proverbs 20:1. The brewers are advertising their products in magazines, newspapers, radio and television and other ways in trying to make it look attractive. We as Christians should do all we can to show them the evil and destructiveness of it. We should not patronize places of business that sell beer, wine or liquor. We should shun the very appearance of evil. Our Church Covenant states "That we will abstain from the sale and use of alcohol as a beverage. Strong drink is affecting the morals of our people and especially the youth of our land. Perhaps we would do well to warn them of some of the other evils that are doing the same thing, namely sabbath desecration, dancing and gambling and other evils. "Therefore, come out from among them and be ye separate saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean things, and I will receive you." 2 Cor. 6:17.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. H. KINCAID.

8. Wade E. Brown, Chairman of the Executive Committee, offered the recommendations of the Committee. After discussion by Wade. E. Brown, C. O. Vance and Victor Trivett the recommendations were adopted.

#### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee submits the following for your consideration:

1. That we endorse the principle of the Watauga Baptist Hour and recommend it to the churches.
2. That the designation of that portion of the program headed as Woman's Work be changed to Woman's Missionary Union.
3. That the Moderator and Clerk be authorized to condense any reports that in their judgment could be condensed without any change in meaning.
4. That the work of the Associational Missionary be continued and enlarged.
5. That we endorse the North Carolina Baptist Home and that we urge our churches to support this work.
6. That we urge our churches to increase our support of the North Carolina Baptist hospital.
7. That we endorse the Enlargement Program and Work of Wake Forest College.

Wade E. Brown, Chairman.

9. The report on Religious Literature was read by C. O. Vance. After a motion to adopt the report, it was discussed by S. C. Eggers, Jr., L. L. Carpenter, Editor of Biblical Recorder, C. O. Vance and was adopted.

#### REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

It has been said that the moral and spiritual standards of a nation will not reach higher than the kind of literature most commonly read by the people. The same is true of the family. Many church members apparently pay no attention to the kind of reading material they permit to come into the hands of their children. Many adults believe they can lead clean moral lives

and at the same time fill their minds with the "trash" found in cheap magazines and periodicals.

One glance at the news stands is enough to convince any rational minded person that America is reading the wrong kind of literature. What we read has a very definite influence on our daily lives. We might ask ourselves — "What kind of literature do I read, and what kind of reading material do I place in the hands of my children?" Do we have magazines in our homes that we would not want our pastor to see? If Jesus should look over the list of your reading material, would you be ashamed?

The winning of people to Christ and the training and development of our people must be carried on primarily through preaching, teaching and the use of good religious literature. We must place in the hands of the people religious literature in the form of tracts, magazines, and books. The Bible, of course, occupies the chief place in our list of literature.

The immense volume of literature produced by Southern Baptist covers the fields of Bible study, Sunday School and Training Union work, W. M. U., Brotherhood, Home and Foreign Missions, etc. We must encourage our people to read and study the various types of literature which help us to understand and teach the Bible and which offer inspiration and guidance in Christian living and service. Unique in this list is our own State Baptist paper because it seeks to promote and support all phases of our Baptist work, at home and abroad. Every Baptist family should receive the Biblical Recorder.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. O. Vance, Chairman.

10. The Clerk called the roll of the churches and forty-two responded. Letters from all churches had been received.

11. The Moderator recognized the twenty-five ministers present and the following visitors:

R. M. Hause, Allied Church League of N. C.; Ben Wood, Watauga Association, Tenn.; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Greene, Holston Association, Tenn.; Thomas W. Cable, Moderator, Watauga Association, Tenn. and L. L. Carpenter, Editor Biblical Recorder.

12. The Moderator recognized the two new pastors who were present, L. H. Hollingsworth of Boone and C. O. Gore of Vilas.

13. The following committees were announced by the Moderator:

FINANCE — S. C. Eggers and Howard Hodges.

NOMINATIONS — C. J. Farthing, Rex West and S. C. Eggers, Jr.

TIME, PLACE & PREACHER — A. E. Trivett, Raymond Hendrix and L. E. Wilson.

14. Harold Songer was recognized for the delivery of the Annual Sermon. After a song he read Luke 24:44-53 and announced his subject, "JESUS AND HIS CHURCH." The outline of this sermon follows:

### JESUS AND HIS CHURCH

Scripture: Luke 24:44-53.

I. Jesus gives His Church a mission:

A—Where It's Found.

a—In the pre-ascension and pre-crucifixion words of Jesus which are found in the latter portions of the four gospels and the early portion of the Acts of the Apostles.

B—What It Is.

a—The key word of the mission of Jesus for His Church is the word "witness."

C—Who It's To.

a—The mission that Jesus gives to His Church is to the whole body of Christians through the whole world throughout the whole present age.

b—The pastor is not called to be the soul winner of the church, but to lead the members of the church in their soul winning activity.

c—Christians should try to take Jesus Christ to the lost instead of attempting to bring the lost to the church.

II. Jesus gives His Church a message:

A—The testimony of scripture.

a—Luke 24:44-45.

B—The death and resurrection of Jesus.

b—Luke 24:46.

C—Repentance and forgiveness.

c—Luke 24:47.

III. Jesus gives His Church powerful motivation.

A—The need stated.

a—Luke 24:49.

B—The need met.

a—Acts 2:1-6.

C—The lesson in this for our day.

a—Christians who wish to be soul winners should "tarry" for the power of the Spirit of God.

b—The desire to be a soul winner is a heaven born desire.

Brother Songer closed this message with prayer.

15. The Association recessed for noon, benediction by Victor Trivett.

### NOON RECESS

16. The Association reconvened at 1:00 p. m. after the messengers and visitors had enjoyed a bountiful luncheon served on the church lawn. The Oak Grove choir rendered two numbers and E. O. Gore conducted the devotional.

17. Mrs. Nora M. Wilson offered the report on W. M. U. which was adopted after being discussed by Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Mrs. C. J. Farthing, Mrs. Kenneth Forbes, Mrs. Fred Edmisten and Mrs. Ethel Hodges.



**W. M. U. REPORT**

"Behold the lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." (John 1:29-b), the words of John the Baptist upon seeing Jesus coming unto him after the temptation in the wilderness, is a challenge to us as our watchword for the year — a challenge to so pray and plan that our every thought, word and action will point others to Jesus the Lamb which was slain for the sin of the world.

The fundamentals or plan of work of W. M. U. — Prayer, Study, Stewardship, Community Missions and Missionary Education of young people — are seen in the work of the Lamb of God while He was on earth. In word and practice He taught us to pray, and may it be our desire and practice to follow His example in prayer coupled with study of His word. There is profitable reading also in the many good books concerning His work as being carried on in this age. As we strive to teach and practice stewardship of money, talents, time and love surely we are following Him who was the perfect steward. Community missions is Christ-like living in one's community, soul-winning being the ultimate aim of all the kind deeds done in His name. It is our desire that our individual lives will reflect the love of Christ. By example He showed His love for children and this we do in providing missionary organizations for young people. Christ in His ministry was enlisting as He called people unto Himself and to represent Him. So let us enlist more women and young people in His service.

It is our plan and purpose in the Associational activities—the summer camps and rallies for all the organizations — to present the Lord Jesus so that Christian boys and girls will be drawn closer to Him and that the unsaved will experience personal belief in Him as their Saviour.

Let us faithfully put into practice our perpetual watchword, "Laborers together with God," in making known the Lamb of God to a sinful and needy world.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Nora M. Wilson and  
Mrs. C. O. Vance.

18. The report on Missions was read by Ralph Beshears. Clyde R. Greene presented Dr. M. A. Huggins, secretary of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. He brought an inspiring message on "The Need of the World for Christianity." The report was adopted.

**REPORT ON MISSIONS**

"And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give unto thee the keys to the kingdom of heaven; and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven and whatsoever thou shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." (Matt. 17:18-19)

"And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power. But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost has come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both



in Jerusalem, and in Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold two men stood by them in white apparel; which also said, ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven." (Acts 1:7-11).

These are just two of many passages from the Holy Bible which emphasises the purpose of the church as well as that of the individual in the world. At no other time in modern history has a greater need been felt for missions at home and missions abroad. Men in all professions and all walks of life are telling us daily that the only hope for man is the gospel of Jesus Christ. There is no other agency in the world whereby this great Light may be spread except the church.

With the condition of the world as it is today and the weighty task as it lies before us we cannot hope to successfully accomplish all the work individually, by churches or even by our associational organizations, but by banding together as "one strong man," working together and praying for Divine guidance we can win the world.

The churches of Three Forks Association have responded in a magnificent way during the past year in contributing to the cooperative program and the various phases of the mission work in our denomination, but in reporting on this subject we feel there is yet a greater vision for us to behold. The aim of our work is the salvation of souls, and may we continue and work harder for the winning of the unsaved in our association and throughout the world. May we also work and pray that God will call more of our young people to full time Christian service and the foreign mission fields.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ralph L. Beshears,  
Clyde R. Greene.

19. The Association recessed to meet tomorrow at 9:00 a. m. at Union Baptist Church, benediction by Thomas W. Cable, Moderator of Watauga Association of Tenn.

## **SECOND DAY — WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 1952**

**Union Baptist Church, Mabel, N. C.**

### **Morning Session**

20. The Moderator called the Association to order at 9:00 a. m. C. J. Farthing conducted the song service and Bynum Trivett led the devotional.

21. The report on Associational Progress was read by C. J. Farthing who discussed it after which the report was adopted.

## REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL PROGRESS

	1951	1952	
Church Membership	6113	8163	50 Gain
S. S. Enrollment	6013	6050	37 Gain
Number Baptisms	347	302	45 Less
WMU Membership	539	571	32 Gain
BTU Membership	964	1189	175 Gain
Brotherhood Membership	133	161	28 Gain
Local Contributions	\$93,308.00	105,018.50	11,710.50 Gain
Missions & Benevolences	\$14,449.94	19,510.32	5,060.38 Gain
Total Contributions	\$107,757.94	124,528.82	16,770.88 Gain
Churches Reporting Baptisms	36	37	1 Gain
Churches Reporting WMU's	12	13	1 Gain
Churches Reporting Brotherhoods	5	4	1 Less
Gifts to Orphanage	\$3,420.20	2,815.09	394.89 Gain
Gifts to Hospital	\$1,572.96	1,346.47	226.49 Less

respectfully submitted,

N. M. Greene,

C. J. Farthing.

22. Wade E. Brown presented the report on Christian Education and he led the discussion. L. H. Hollingsworth, C. J. Farthing, Claude Gaddy, Frank Hasty, M. H. Kendall and Ben Fisher continued the discussion and the report was adopted.

## REPORT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Education is defined as the acquisition of knowledge, skill or the development of character. As good citizens we support our state schools, colleges and other governmental teaching agencies as a means of getting an education. As good Baptists however we are not satisfied with the mere education which our children and adults get from state and governmental institutions and training agencies, we believe we should have Christian Education, such as is offered by our Sunday Schools, Baptist Training Unions, Brotherhood and the Christian Schools and Colleges

Our Sunday Schools have long been considered as our most universally accepted type of formal Christian Training. Since our Sunday Schools administer to all ages from the babies to those too old to leave their homes, and since in many instances the only Christian training received is received through the Sunday Schools, it is considered that too great emphasis cannot be placed on this agency of our churches toward the building of a stronger and ever increasing influence of each Sunday School of our Association.

The Baptist Training Union in each church offers further opportunity for Christian training, knowledge and practice of the fundamentals of the Bible and the workings of the Church. Every pastor and every church in the association would do well to consider the advantages offered in a good training union in the church.

The Baptist Brotherhood is an organization of the men of our church, and while it has not been active as long as some of our other training agencies, it has already made great progress toward many worthwhile projects for further advance-

ments in Christian Training and better fellowship between the men of our churches and between the men with other churches. One example of its forward outlook is the definite steps in cooperation with the Womans Missionary Union toward sponsoring and supporting a religious camp for our young people. Through the Brotherhood organization worthy young people have been helped toward their college education that perhaps could not have gone to school otherwise. More Brotherhoods should be organized in our association and those already organized should exert an even greater influence.

Our Baptist Schools and Colleges in North Carolina are unsurpassed in quality of training, high standards and Christian ideals for the training of our young people. The school for nurses of our Baptist hospital, five Junior Colleges, Chowan, Wingate, Gardner-Webb, Campbell and Mars Hill, and our two Senior Colleges, Meredith and Wake Forest are all outstanding in their field and deserve the most careful and prayerful consideration. Unless there is some definite reason otherwise our Baptist young people going to college should be encouraged to attend one of our fine Baptist schools or colleges.

The Baptist Council on Christian Education of our Baptist State Convention is seeking to make a closer tie between the schools and colleges themselves as well as with the individuals and churches throughout North Carolina. Without the counsel, advice and support of Baptist throughout North Carolina such as those of the Three Forks Association this group cannot hope to serve you in the most effective manner.

Wade E. Brown.

23. The election of officers being the next order of business, the Moderator called Wade E. Brown, V. Moderator to the chair. The following officers were elected:

R. C. Eggers — Moderator.

Wade E. Brown — Vice Moderator.

Clyde R. Greene — Clerk-Treasurer.

C. J. Farthing — Historian.

Rex West — Song Leader.

Mrs. Blanche Perry — Associational Missionary and Librarian.

Mrs. Kathleen Ward — Pianist.

24. Rex West led a song and in the absence of Albert Tester, appointee to preach at this time, Ben Fisher of Gardner-Webb College was invited to preach. "The Old Rugged Cross" was sung and Brother Fisher read the message of God to Joshua when he became the leader to succeed Moses. He announced his subject, "Obey Through Faith." His message emphasized the following thoughts:

1. Joshua raised the question of the people turning away from God.

2. For success it is necessary to mediate both day and night on the laws and edicts of God.

3. Nations fail when the people turn their backs on God.

4. Faith is a necessary element in following God and keeping his laws.

5. The reward is sure for all who obey God through faith.

25. The Association recessed for noon, benediction by M. H. Kendall.

### NOON RECESS

26. After a bountiful luncheon served on the church lawn the Association reconvened at 1:15 p. m. Carl Wilson conducted the devotional service.

27. The Moderator appointed I. B. Wilson and Ronda Earp to the Resolutions Committee because of the absence of the regular members of this committee.

28. Harold Songer read the report on Benevolences and had charge of the discussion. Marse Grant discussed the N. C. Baptist Orphanage; W. K. McGhee the N. C. Baptist hospital and James M. Hayes the N. C. Baptist Home for the aging. The report was adopted.

### REPORT ON BENEVOLENCES

Under the heading of Benevolences we have the work of the orphanage, the hospital, the home for the aging and old ministers relief. Both our orphan homes at Thomasville and Kinston have not only been our care but also our blessing. May we continue in our churches until we are sending an offering once each month, a large offering at Thanksgiving and produce in season. We also recommend that our people read Charity and Children so that we may be informed about our work.

We are proud of our hospital and the service it is rendering. We recommend that our offerings be larger so it can serve more people in the future and be a greater blessing year after year. Our Baptist home for the aging both needs and deserves our support as it ministers to the aging in the name of Jesus.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harold Songer.

### REPORT ON NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOME FOR THE AGING, RESTHAVEN, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Operation of Resthaven was begun March 16, 1951. Soon after the opening, it was filled to capacity, twenty residents. When the news spread of the beginning, applications began to accumulate rapidly. To date, there have been close to 500 inquiries. Had there been rooms available, and all applicants could have made financial arrangement, our home would have had 200 residents instead of only twenty at present.

There is encouraging prospect of getting the top floor of the present building completed, which will provide space for fifteen additional residents. The cost of this enlargement project has been underwritten by a business man of Winston-Salem, who is not a Baptist. This same friend has already donated a television set, and has concreted the basement of the home.

Our residents range in age from 64 to 92 years, and come from widely scattered sections of our State — Franklin to



Elizabeth City. All rejoice in the opportunity to be in the home. Here are some of their statements:

"I like this good Christian Home and all the family. I would not exchange it for any other in all the world." — Mrs. J. L. Smith, coming from Franklin.

"This 'more than we expected' about this home makes us all hope and pray that more men and women may come to enjoy its many blessings." — Miss Ella Moffett, coming from Southern Pines.

"I never thought I would be so happy in my last years of life." — John Holt, age 92, coming from Wilson Mills.

In spite of the fact that Resthaven did not receive financial assistance last year from the Baptist State Convention (except a loan which was repaid), it was operated clear of a deficit. How did this happen? By the Lord laying our needs upon the hearts of friends and causing them to respond. Of course, the home was compelled to charge the cost of keep from the residents who came on the monthly-pay plan. The income from this source, together with that coming from residents giving property or cash for their maintenance, plus donations by churches and auxiliary organizations and friends, enabled the home to pay its way and to accumulate assets in excess of \$100,000.00.

Beginning the year 1952, with the new Nine Year Program, our home receives three-fourths of 1 per cent of the funds to be divided. From this source has come less than \$500.00 per month since January of this year. The home is estimated to receive a total of approximately \$500,000.00 in nine years. It is apparent, therefore, that slow provision for enlarged facilities will be made to accommodate the hundreds of aging people who want to come to our home, unless funds come from other sources than our denominational program as it now operates.

Our home presents a great challenge to North Carolina Baptists to provide adequate facilities. There are probably 100,000 people in our state past 65 years of age, and a large number of these are of Baptist faith. We must make provision as time and finances permit for these aging Baptists. Since Baptists of our state now number more than 700,000 in membership, we are well able to make such provision. If every Baptist would give an average of \$1.00 to our home in one year, we could raise \$700,000.00 and not one person would suffer hardship. As soon as a practical and adequate plan of support can be agreed upon, it is reasonable to expect that our Baptist home will be worthily supported.

Many suggestions have been made as to the best plan of supporting our home. Among them are: (1) Fifth Sunday offerings through the Sunday schools, as the Virginia Baptist home plan; (2) Special day offering, as the Mother's Day plan for our Baptist hospital; and (3) Putting the home in the local church budget, and appealing to the churches that have no budget for at least one special offering a year.

Either of these plans, supplemented by such special gifts as may come from individuals and corporations, and provisions made in wills, would enable the home to make reasonable pro-



gress, and thus enlarge our facilities on the pay-as-you-go plan.

We are closing our report with a statement made by a prominent furniture manufacturer, Mr. B. C. Philpott, of Lexington, N. C.

"I consider this one of the most important forward steps the Baptists of North Carolina have taken in a long time, because it is indeed a great move and one that has been neglected all too long.

Mrs. Philpott and I want to have a part in this fine undertaking, and herewith you will find my check for one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars, which we desire used as a memorial to our son, B. C. Philpott, Jr.

May the Lord continue to bless you in such a noble work."

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." (Matthew 25:40).

Prepared by:  
James M. Hayes, Supt.

29. Clyde R. Greene read the following treasurer's report which was adopted as read:

**GENERAL ASSOCIATIONAL FUND**

**RECEIPTS:**

Minute Fund	244.93	244.93
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**DISBURSEMENTS:**

Overdraft	3.73	
Minutes	174.15	
Clerk	40.00	
Postage	7.84	
Programs	6.85	232.57
Balance		\$ 12.36

**ASSOCIATIONAL MISSION FUND**

**RECEIPTS:**

Balance	102.07	
Received from 12 churches	846.77	
State Board	625.00	1573.84

**DISBURSEMENTS:**

Salary Missionary	1535.00	1535.00
Balance		\$ 38.84

30. The clerk read the report of the finance committee which was adopted:

**REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Received from the Churches for Minutes	\$251.18
Paid to the Treasurer	\$251.18

31. The report of the nominating committee was read by C. J. Farthing and was adopted. This report is given in the section on Associational Directory.

32. The report of the resolutions committee was read by I. B. Wilson and was adopted without discussion.

### REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, the One Hundred Twelfth Session of our Association has been most inspiring and outstanding, and

WHEREAS, our officers have rendered efficient service to the Association and have made every effort to make the present session successful, now, therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we express to the people of Brushy Fork Baptist Church, where our Spring Session was held and to Mabel and Union Baptist Churches our deep appreciation for their hospitality.

2. That we express to our officers our thanks for their services rendered throughout the year.

33. Raymond Hendrix offered the following report on Time, Place and Preacher. The report was adopted.

#### REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

**TIME** — Tuesday and Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in August, 1953.

**PLACE**—South Fork first day and Green Valley second day.

**PREACHERS** — Victor Trivett, First Day, Alternate, Lloyd Culler; Rex West, Second Day, Alternate, Ira Hodges.

Respectfully submitted,

L. E. Wilson,

Victor Trivett,

Raymond Hendrix.

34. By motion and second duly passed the Moderator is directed to appoint committees on Missions and Finance. The following were appointed:

**MISSIONS:** Rex West, Harold Songer and L. H. Hollingsworth.

**FINANCE:** James Farthing, C. O. Vance, Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Woodrow Greene and Henry Austin.

35. Ronda Earp conducted the Memorial Service. He read the list of our dead since our last session, the congregation stood in memory of them and C. O. Vance led in prayer.

36. The Executive Committee was directed to prepare a "Suggested Order of Business" for the 1953 session and to have it printed in the minutes of this session.

37. By motion duly made, seconded and passed the Moderator appointed the following to membership on Baptist Hour Committee:

Woodrow Greene, Ralph Beshears and Wade E. Brown.

38. The Clerk was directed to prepare the manuscript of the minutes, have 1,000 copies printed and distributed to the churches. \$40.00 was appropriated for the clerk for this work.

39. By motion duly passed the Promotion Committee for the ensuing year shall consist of all our pastors and the Sunday School superintendents. The committee to elect its own chairman and clerk.

40. The One Hundred Twelfth Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina adjourned, benediction by Raymond Hendrix.

R. C. Eggers, Moderator,

Clyde R. Greene, Clerk.

## Obituaries

### OUR BELOVED DEAD

- ANTIOCH — Mr. Francis Tester  
 BEAVER DAM — Mr. C. C. Greer  
 BETHEL — Mrs. Jakie Farthing, Mr. Alfred Trivett, Mrs. Bonnie Eggers and Mr. Frank Johnson  
 BETHANY — Mr. John C. Shoemaker  
 BLOWING ROCK — Miss Edith Lucile Coffey  
 BOONE — Mrs. Ed Farthing, Mrs. J. M. Moretz and Deacon W. D. Farthing  
 BRUSHY FORK — Pvt. Richard Minton, Deacon David Love and Deacon S. F. Moody  
 CLARK'S CREEK — Mrs. Jane Eggers  
 COOL SPRINGS — Mrs. Alice Cannon and Mrs. Lizzie Payne  
 COVE CREEK — Mrs. Susie Mast Horton, Mrs. Nettie Hamlett, Mrs. Mattie Mast Lain and Mr. Omar A. Baird  
 FOREST GROVE — Mrs. Edith Roark  
 HOWARDS CREEK — Mrs. W. L. Brown  
 MEAT CAMP — Mr. J. R. Greene  
 MIDDLE FORK — Deacon Carrol Hodges and Deacon Will H. Hayes  
 MOUNT CALVARY — Mrs. Hattie Townsend  
 MOUNTAIN DALE — Mr. Spencer Pope  
 MOUNT GILEAD — Mr. Joe Eggers and Mr. George Lawrence  
 MOUNT LEBANON — Mr. Harve Hodges and Mrs. Buna Hollar  
 OAK GROVE — Deacon Lee Gross and Deacon Cleve Gross  
 PLEASANT GROVE — Mr. John Wheeler  
 POPLAR GROVE — Mrs. Ella Baldwin, Rev. Clayton Greere and Mrs. Mattie Hodges  
 PROFFIT GROVE — Mr. Ford Miller  
 RICH MOUNTAIN — Mr. Spurgeon Eggers  
 RUTHERWOOD — Mrs. Zora Carroll  
 SHULLS MILLS — Mr. Coy Presnell  
 STONY FORK — Mrs. Sarah Wagner and Mrs. Nancy Greene  
 THREE FORKS — Mr. W. G. Todd, D. G. Edmisten and A. J. Edmisten  
 TIMBERED RIDGE — Mr. E. B. Hagamar  
 UNION — Mr. John York, Mrs. Vick Hodges, Mr. David F. Warren and Mr. Sherman Thomas  
 WILLOWDALE — Mrs. A. J. Greene and Mrs. Lou Dugger  
 ZION HILL — Mrs. Emma Hicks  
 ZIONVILLE — Mr. Wm. J. Thomas, Mrs. Jewel Mae Reece, Mrs. Emma Osborne and Mrs. Victoria Wilson

### REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY FROM

AUGUST 1, 1951 - JULY 31, 1952

Churches worked in or visited .....	44
Churches visited during revivals .....	16
Talks made in churches .....	62
Vacation Bible Schools held .....	11
Study Courses taught ... ..	9

Pastor's Conferences attended .....	35
Individual conferences held .....	223
Committee meetings attended .....	27
Associational meetings attended .....	23
Regional meetings attended .....	5
State meetings attended .....	3
Counselor for Associational G. A. and R. A. Camps .....	3
Had charge of Watauga Baptist Hour .....	2
Evening services held .....	2
Helped with Training Union Organization .....	1
Helped with Young People's Organizations .....	3
Helped promote Sunday School, Training Unions, W. M. U. organizations, Vacation Bible Schools, Bible Study week, Preacher's School, Deacon's Schools, Sunday School Enlargement Campaign, Watauga Baptist Hour, Central Training School, Pastor's Conference, Church Libraries, Victory Day for Baptist Hospital, Religious Literature, Young People's Camps.	
Miles traveled in Associational Work .....	6349
Letters Written .....	250
Cards Written .....	1571
Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Blanche Perry, Associational Missionary.	

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPRING SESSION OF THE THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1. The Three Forks Baptist Association met in Spring Session with Brushy Fork Baptist church, Vilas, N. C. at 10:00 a. m., Wednesday, May 7, 1952.

2. C. J. Farthing led the opening song service and R. C. Eggers called the session to order.

3. Grady Minton conducted the devotional service.

4. A. C. Moody presented the program for the session, which was built around the theme of the session "The Christian Home."

5. The subject of "Family Devotion in the Christian Home" was discussed by James Sherwood and R. C. Eggers.

6. Rex West and Mrs. Don Perry spoke on "Reading Materials in the Christian Home."

7. The Clerk called the roll of the churches and thirty responded.

8. The Moderator recognized the fifteen ministers present.

9. The session recessed for lunch, benediction by C. O. Vance.

### NOON RECESS

10. The Association reconvened at 1:00 p. m. after a bountiful lunch. Herring Crisp conducted the devotional.

11. Victor Trivett discussed "Discipline in the Christian Home."

12. The subject "Home Training for Christian Service" was presented by C. J. Farthing.

13. The Association expressed thanks to Brushy Fork



church and community for the hospitality extended during the Spring Session.

14. Upon motion made by G. O. Vance and duly passed the Association went on record against the showing of the drama "Horn In The West" on Sunday nights. This motion also directed the Moderator to so notify the Board of Directors of the Southern Appalachian Historical Association and that this action of the Association be given publicity through the Watauga Democrat.

15. Dr. I. G. Greer brought a challenging message on the Christian Home.

16. The Spring Session adjourned, benediction by A. C. Moody.

R. C. Eggers, Moderator,  
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk.

### MINUTES OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The theme for the Thirty-Ninth Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Baptist Association which met May 3, 1952 at Laurel Springs Baptist church was "The Power of Jesus Name."

After a period of instrumental music by Harry Farthing and Mrs. Betty Jean Hughes. The meeting was opened by singing "All Hail The Power Of Jesus Name."

Devotional thoughts on "His Name" were brought by Mrs. Edna Holloway. Special music "How Sweet The Name Of Jesus" was given by Mrs. Alvin Young and a season of prayer led by Mrs. Holloway and Rev. A. C. Moody.

It was a privilege to have the following visitors: Mrs. John Wacaster, field representative of North Carolina W. M. U.; Miss Hattie Gardner, missionary from Nyeria; Rev. B. W. Jackson, R. A. secretary of North Carolina; and these pastors, Victor Trivette, A. C. Moody, C. O. Vance and R. C. Eggers.

Mrs. Blanche Perry reported on the scholarship given in memory of Mrs. D. F. Horton to Fruitland Bible Institute and A. C. Moody spoke his words of appreciation as the recipient of the gift. It was voted to continue the scholarship each year and that it be given as a memorial to all members of W. M. U., who pass away during the year. A committee would be appointed by the superintendent who would select the person to be honored with the scholarship — that person to be one from Watauga county.

The committees to report during the day were:

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE — Mrs. E. M. Bodenhimer, Mrs. Raymond Hendrix.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE — Mrs. Maude Wilson, Mrs. Clara Grogan.

TIME and PLACE — Mrs. C. H. Kincaid, Mrs. Edgar Edmisten, Mrs. Fate Warren.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE — Mrs. Charles Lewis, Mrs. Claude Edmisten, Mrs. Alfred Adams, Mrs. Collis Austin, Mrs. Arlie Moretz.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE TO REPORT IN 1953 — Mrs.



Woodrow Greene, Mrs. Lewis Hodges, Mrs. Herman Eggers.

The roll call of the societies found Blowing Rock represented with 2 members present; Boone 21; Cove Creek 8; Laurel Springs 17; Mabel 3; Meat Camp 1; Perkinsville 7; Poplar Grove 4; Oak Grove 12; Rutherwood 3; Stony Fork 4; Willowdale 3.

The reports of the Community Missions, Mission Study, Stewardship and Enlistment Committees were given by the chairmen in a question and answer discussion.

Mrs. Mabel Berry led in a magazine demonstration featuring all mission literature used by W. M. U. in promoting interesting programs.

'Empowered for Service' was the subject of the message brought by Mrs. John Wacaster, who said that to have power for service we must be willing to use what we have for the Lord and be faithful in our prayer life.

After a period of silent prayer the hymn "Jesus Shall Reign" was sung.

Carrying out the theme of the day's program Mrs. Dorothy Greene sang "No One Ever Cared For Me Like Jesus."

Mrs. John Wacaster introduced Miss Hattie Gardner, Missionary worker in the mission school at Shaki, Nigeria, who spoke a challenge to all present as she told of the work, needs and opportunities there.

The morning session was closed with prayer by Miss Gardner, who also gave thanks for the noon meal served by the host church.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session opened with singing "Take The Name Of Jesus With You."

The devotional period included scripture by Mrs. Herman Eggers and Mrs. R. D. Hodges, Sr., prayer by Mrs. Eggers and special music "Jesus The Very Thought Of Thee" by Martha Qualls.

Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Mrs. James Farthing and Mrs. Woodrow Greene gave a round table discussion on the work and place for young people's organizations in the Association.

One of the highlights of the days program was the message by B. W. Jackson on "Enlisting the Boy" in mission, Bible Study, Prayer, Stewardship, and activities and encouraged new organizations.

Mrs. S. F. Horton explained and discussed Woman's Missionary Union Training School and Margaret Fund.

Miss Alva Hodges led in singing "I Love To Tell The Story."

The treasurer made the following report:

Balance in treasury May 5, 1951	\$30.90
Received at Annual Meeting	12.88
Received for Expense Fund	53.20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$96.98</b>
<b>PAID OUT:</b>	
Miss Irene Chambers, Missionary	\$10.00
Mrs. A. E. Moretz, Ass'n Expenses	15.00

Mrs. A. O. Joines, Divisional Expenses .....	14.00
School of Missions (advertisement) .....	12.00
Plates, etc. for supper at Perkinsville .....	2.10
Baptist Hour — April 27, 1952 .....	18.00
TOTAL .....	\$71.10

Balance in treasury May 3, 1952 .....	25.88
Received for Mrs. D. F. Horton Memorial Fund .....	\$67.25
Received at Annual Meeting May 3, 1952 .....	13.68
TOTAL .....	\$80.93

Paid out to A. C. Moody for scholarship .....	40.00
Balance in treasury .....	\$40.93

The report on Obituaries was read by Mrs. Maude Wilson.

### IN MEMORIAM

Friends are the most treasured things that come to us. Our friends slip away from us one by one and our hearts sorrow at their passing. We cherish the memory of those that we have had the privilege to work and worship with in the W. M. U. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved families of the following:

Mrs. D. F. Horton, Cove Creek; Mrs. Wilson Hollars, Willowdale; Mrs. J. M. Moretz, Boone; Mrs. R. L. Wagoner, Stony Fork.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Maude Wilson,  
Mrs. Clara Grogan.

The memorial prayer was led by Mrs. Blanche Perry.

Mrs. E. M. Bodenhimer read the report of the Appreciation Committee.

"The Lord has done great things for us whereof we are glad."

"Be thankful unto Him and bless His name. For the Lord is good, His truth is everlasting and His mercy endureth to all generations."

Recognizing the guidance of a tender Shepherd in the years progress and unparalleled advancement, we press onward and upward under the banner of our King. Knowing that these earthly branches have born their fruit through nurishment of the heavenly vine, therefore be it resolved:

That the heart felt thanks and appreciation of this union be extended to the representatives of our State W. M. U. for the splendid presentation of their sacred trusts.

To our beloved foreign missionary, Miss Hattie Gardner, we are indebted for her pressure and spiritual uplift.

To our noble, consecrated officers for their loyalty and efficiency.

To Mrs. C. J. Farthing and Mrs. Blanche Perry and all other co-workers for their faithful work among the different unions and also all the pastors who are present with us today.

To the W. M. U. of Laurel Springs church for their hearty welcome and wonderful dinner, for the church doors have

been indeed opened to us, and for all that has been done to contribute to the welfare and comfort of each one who has com.

Mrs. E. M. Bodenheimer,  
Mrs. Raymond Hendrix.

The report of the Place Committee was made by Mrs. Woodrow Greene. Place — Perkinsville Baptist church.

All above reports were adopted as read.

The report of the Nominating Committee was made by Mrs. Charles Lewis.

- Superintendent ..... Mrs. C. J. Farthing
- Ass't. Superintendent ..... Mrs. Joe McNeill
- Secretary and Treasurer ..... Mrs. Blanche Perry
- Mission Study Chairman ..... Mrs. Robert Garvey
- Community Missions Chairman ..... Mrs. Ethel Hodges
- Stewardship Chairman ..... Mrs. Fred Edmisten
- Literature Chairman ..... Mrs. Mabel Berry
- W. M. U. Training School and  
Margaret Fund Chairman ..... Mrs. R. D. Hodges, Jr.
- Young People's Leader ..... Mrs. Nora M. Wilson
- Y. W. A. Leader ..... Mrs. James Farthing
- G. A. Leader ..... Mrs. Woodrow Greene
- R. A. Leader ..... John Ward
- Sunbeam Leader ..... Mrs. A. C. Moody

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Charles Lewis,  
Mrs. Maxie Edmisten,  
Mrs. Collis Austin,  
Mrs. Daisy Adams,  
Mrs. A. E. Moretz.

Rev. R. C. Eggers presided during the installation of officers and led the prayer of dedication.

Rev. C. O. Vance made a motion that the Associational W. M. U. express its opposition to the showing of the "Horn In The West" on Sunday at any time, by a letter to the officials. The vote was unanimous.

The closing meditation was brought by Rev. C. O. Vance — "Doing All In The Name Of Jesus" and Mrs. C. J. Farthing led the closing prayer.

Mrs. C. J. Farthing, Supt.  
Mrs. Blanche Perry, Sec.

# STATISTICAL TABLES

TABLE A — CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location	Date Organized	Date of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Titlers
Antioch	Rural	1849	1	R. C. Cook, Lenoir	5	14	18	201	1	30
Beaver Dam	Rural	1874	2	R. H. Shore, Blowing Rock	27	68	119	951	2	80
Beech Valley	Rural	1941	2-4	Herring Crisp, Sugar Grove	19	7	11	189	2	
Bethel	Rural	1851	2-4	Herring Crisp, Sugar Grove	1	8	28	238	1	
Bethany	Rural	1893	2-4	Albert Tester, Blowing Rock	5	8	28	238	1	
Blowing Rock	Town	1903	All		5	14	18	201	1	
Boone	City	1870	All	L. H. Hollingsworth, Boone	27	68	119	951	2	
Brushy Fork	Rural	1858	2-4	Victor Trivett, Vilas	19	7	11	189	2	
Clark's Creek	Rural	1898	1-3	Ira Hodges, Banner Elk	1	1	2	95	1	
Cool Springs	Rural	1888	2	Raymond Hendrix, Boone	15	6	6	132	1	
Cove Creek	Village	1899	All	Harold Songer, Sherwood	17	3	12	244	1	
Elk Knob	Rural	1890	2	L. H. Hagaman, Beech Creek	4	2	5	161	2	
Forest Grove	Rural	1889	1-3	L. H. Hagaman, Beech Creek	5	4	4	79	1	
Friendship	Rural	1948	1	E. O. Gore, Vilas	5	4	4	79	1	
Gap Creek	Rural	1887	4	Rex West, Zionville	6	1	2	140	2	



Green Valley	Rural	1946	2-4	L. H. Hagaman, Beech Creek	5	106	2	1	
Howards Creek	Rural	1882	2-4	W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock	2	134	4	1	
Laurel Springs	Rural	1873	1-3	Victor Trivett, Vilas	10	313	2	2	
Mabel	Village	1948	2-4	L. H. Hagaman, Beech Creek	2	73	1	10	
Meat Camp	Rural	1851	1-3	Lloyd Culler, Zionville	10	221	1	3	
Middle Fork	Rural	1905	1-3	A. C. Moody, Vilas	4	144	1	1	
Mount Calvary	Village	1880	All	Glenn Gentry, Elk Park	3	222	3	3	
Mountain Dale	Rural	1941	2-4	Barnie Oliver, Trade, Tenn.	8	80	1	2	
Mount Gilead	Rural	1876	1-3	Ronda Earp, Vilas	1	74	4	1	
Mount Lebanon	Rural	1891	3	L. H. Hagaman, Beech Creek	4	257	3	2	
Oak Grove	Village	1916	All	C. O. Vance, Boone	14	230	8	30	
Perkinsville	Village	1947	All	Cecil Glenn, Boone	8	184	2	40	
Pleasant Grove	Rural	1891	All	Rex West, Zionville	17	504	5	2	
Poplar Grove	Rural	1872	1-3	A. C. Moody, Vilas	13	192	6	10	
Proffit Grove	Rural	1921	3-4	Victor Trivett, Vilas	9	175	1	10	
Rich Mountain	Rural	1905	1-3	Albert Tester, Blowing Rock	4	1	1	78	
Rutherford	Rural	1938	1-3	Raymond Hendrix, Boone	13	168	4	2	
Shulls Mills	Rural	1888	2-4	A. C. Moody, Vilas	14	117	3	2	
South Fork	Village	1832	2-4	Raymond Hendrix, Boone	2	130	5	1	
Stony Fork	Rural	1840	1-3	Rex West, Zionville	10	217	7	2	
Tabernacle	Rural	1941	2-4	Lloyd Culler, Zionville	7	52	7	2	
Three Forks	Rural	1790	2-4	Clifton Tuttle	10	196	6	2	
Timbered Ridge	Rural	1906	1-3	W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock	5	124	2	1	
Union	Rural	1885	4	Raymond Hendrix, Boone	6	204	1	1	
White Rock	Rural	1945	1-3	Ned Hughes, Spruce Pine	4	71	2	12	
Willowdale	Rural	1911	All	E. O. Gore, Vilas	10	156	10	9	
Willow Valley	Rural	1935	1-3	Herring Crisp, Sugar Grove	5	96	1	1	
Zion Hill	Rural	1886	2	W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock	11	184	1	2	
Zionville	Village	1836	2-4	Carl Triplett, Chilhowie, Va.	6	300	2	5	
TOTAL					302	188,378	8163	58	250

TABLE B — THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

ASSOCIATIONAL S. S. SUPT.  
WOODROW GREEN, BOONE, N. C.

CHURCHES	Sunday School Supts. & Addresses	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Extension Department	Officers Not Counted	Classes and Depts.	Mission Sunday School Enrollment	Grand T'o. S. S. Enrollment	Vacation Bible School Enrollment
Beaver Dam	Howard Cable, Sugar Grove			10	7	8	8	15	30					78	40
Beech Valley	Woodrow Eggers, Reese			20	16	16	21	37	42					152	
Bethel	Paul Edmisten, Beech Creek			4	14	16	19	25	30					108	53
Bethany	Edmund Farthing, Sugar Grove			24	18	18	19	24	94			2		199	53
Blowing Rock	Marshall Farthing, Rominger			7		9		10	17			2		72	
Boone	John Walser, Blowing Rock	5	12	15	24	12	17	32	286			4	60	153	36
Brushy Fork	Wade E. Brown, Boone	25	81	55	62	63	47	234	286					917	43
Clark's Creek	Coy Love, Vilas	3	3	7	12	16	17	27	67		7			161	60
Cool Springs	W. C. Smith, Rominger			12	14	15	18	16	35			2		94	
Cove Creek	W. W. Austin, Boone			7	9	18		30	30					64	
Elk Knob	James L. Sherwood, Vilas	11	2	10	13	16	13	25	102	29	13			234	136
Forest Grove	Sam S. South, Tamarack	5		8	6	7	7	10	8					40	44
Friendship	J. G. Johnson, Reese			6	10	6	10	51	35			8		135	66
Gap Creek	Russell Garland, Trade, Tenn.			14	10	10	15	31	2			2		72	42
	Edmond Cheek, Boone	1	2	7	12	16	16	14	30					98	

Green Valley	Jack Farthing, Reese	12	9	13	5	15	10	2	66	78				
Howards Creek	D. W. Cook, Boone	5	5	6	6	18	10		50					
Laurel Springs	Joe Coffey, Jr. Laxon	25	11	13	22	47	140		140					
Mabel	Bian Norris, Sherwood	8	8	12	16	29	65	1	65					
Meat Camp	A. E. Moretz, Boone	7	2	7	14	15	23	15	157					
Middle Fork	Mrs. Susan Triplett, Blowing Rock	6	5	6	7	16	26	3	71	60				
Mount Calvary	Wm. Puckett, Banner Elk	5	5	8	8	10	30	3	69	24				
Mountain Dale	Burlie Cornett, Reese	14	11	14	16	21	92		92					
Mount Gillead	Clyde Bunton, Heaton	2	6	3	7	9	16	2	45					
Mount Lebanon	Paul Hayes, Vilas	14	14	15	20	25	30	8	129					
Oak Grove	Ralph Beshears, Boone	6	12	11	20	17	20	56	238	73				
Perkinsville	Boyd Cook, Boone	6	8	20	22	14	41	4	189	103				
Pleasant Grove	Clint Eggers, Zionville	20	18	22	40	56	41	2	334	98				
Poplar Grove	Mrs. Edna Holloway, Boone	14	12	23	17	16	35		120	50				
Proffit Grove	Lloyd Bryan, Zionville	20	15	20	25	30	40	4	150	90				
Rich Mountain	James McNeill, Zionville	3	2	10	12	15	20	5	67					
Rutherford	Howard H. Parlier, Deep Gap	5	10	18	20	28	45		184					
Shulls Mills	C. M. Shore, Shulls Mills	10	10	20	15	20	20		65	32				
South Fork	E. R. Mikeal, Todd	5	4	4	8	12	20		98	75				
Stony Fork	Harlen Greene, Deep Gap	12	13	7	22	35	61		150	54				
Tabernacle	Fred Michel, Boone	10	5	10	15	20	20		60	45				
Three Forks	James Austin, Boone	10	20	18	22	18	27		178	91				
Timbered Ridge	John Ward, Reese	5	11	11	17	8	54	7	54					
Union	Edward Norris, Mabel	8	15	12	25	20	50		130	28				
White Rock	Paul Arnett, Balm	13	15	13	10	28	40		119					
Willowdale		10	5	23	20	11	56		125	38				
Willow Valley	Spencer Cable, Sugar Grove	5	13	12	10	27	47	8	99	35				
Zion Hill	Stacy Moody, Beech Creek	5	10	10	10	25	20		78					
Zionville	James R. Martin, Zionville	10	11	15	16	26	27	29	157					
TOTAL		77	182	510	486	639	592	1127	2074	137	92	60	6050	1547

TABLE C — TRAINING UNION

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTOR  
RALPH BESHEARS, BOONE, N. C.

CHURCHES	Training Union Directors, Addresses											No. Nursery Units	No. Beginner Units	No. Primary Units	No. Intermediate Units	No. Young People Units	Adult Units	Total No. Units	Nursery Enrolled	Beginners Enrolled	Primaries Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Adults Enrolled	Gen. Officers Enrolled	Grand Total Enrolled
	No. Nursery Units	No. Beginner Units	No. Primary Units	No. Intermediate Units	No. Young People Units	Adult Units	Total No. Units	Nursery Enrolled	Beginners Enrolled	Primaries Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled																
Beech Valley	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	8	12	8	30	30	17	8	17	12	9	56				
Boone																								235			
Brushy Fork																								59			
Cove Creek		1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	9			10	18	10	10	18	13	41	91				
Forest Grove																10	10	9	9	10	35	25	73				
Meat Camp																9	8	11	10	12	18	36	36				
Middle Fork																1	1	1	1	1	1	5	49				
Oak Grove																1	1	1	1	1	1	5	72				
Perkinsville																1	1	1	1	1	1	7	151				
Pleasant Grove																1	1	1	1	1	1	7	151				
Poplar Grove																2	2	1	1	1	1	6	98				
Rutherford																								47			
Willowdale																1	1	1	1	1	1	3	43				
Willow Valley																1	1	1	1	1	1	4	58				
Zion Hill																1	1	1	1	1	1	3	71				
TOTAL	1	3	5	17	10	15	18	71	8	34	45	198	169	295	364	21	1139										

TABLE F — GIFTS GIVEN THROUGH THE CHURCH

CHURCHES	Local Gifts (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Orphans' Home	Designated Hospitals	Relief and Annuity, Relief, Etc.	Total Mission Gifts	Grand Total Gifts for All Causes
Antioch .....	178.39	388.88		6.00					32.29	8.16	5.00	51.45	618.72
Beaver Dam .....	386.09	446.82							179.05	48.34		227.39	1,060.30
Beech Valley .....	384.86	391.27							10.00	8.22		18.22	794.35
Bethel .....	358.93	955.00	3.11	11.32	20.00	98.00			270.25	31.42	22.25	456.95	1,770.88
Bethany .....	724.61	316.98							98.58	4.71		103.29	1,144.88
Blowing Rock .....	2,333.78	1,710.00	251.01	47.00	81.45	146.07			30.15	78.30	831.50	732.38	4,766.26
Boone .....	8,459.92	3,288.52	3,462.33	300.00	150.00	152.54	684.16	1,130.00	300.00	120.00		7,210.53	18,958.97
Brushy Fork .....	5,144.94	852.50	71.88				71.88		103.57	20.00	13.85	281.18	6,278.62
Clark's Creek .....	721.33	240.05	60.00	6.00			21.21		48.00	42.00		171.21	1,232.59
Cool Springs .....	555.30	326.64							118.75			118.75	1,000.69
Cove Creek .....	7,051.31	2,395.00	484.98	120.00	63.49	63.44	41.20	12.00		75.05	10.00	870.08	10,316.39
Elk Knob .....		255.00							12.50	5.00		17.50	272.50
Forest Grove .....	949.45	391.86	3.55		149.67			54.58	3.55	13.64	38.58	263.57	1,604.88
Friendship .....	374.79	183.87		12.00	14.25				45.10	43.54	42.79	157.68	716.34
Gap Creek .....	11,167.08	350.08							47.50		46.00	93.50	11,610.66
Green Valley .....	447.77	368.60								7.05		7.05	823.42
Howards Creek .....	134.44	383.19							26.40	5.00	40.80	72.20	589.83



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Beech Valley	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	8	12	30	17	12	9	56		
Boone									15									
Brushy Fork			2	3	1	1	3	3	15	8	12	8	30	30	75	70	2	235
Cove Creek			1	1	1	1	1	3	3				22	16	21	59		
Forest Grove									7	9			10	18	13	41		91
Meat Camp									3				10	35	25	3		73
Middle Fork									3				9	9	18			36
Oak Grove									5				8	11	10	12		49
Perkinsville									5				13	12	21	20	5	72
Pleasant Grove									7	13	17		22	25	19	53	2	151
Poplar Grove			2	2	1	1	6	1	6				27	31	16	22	2	98
Rutherford									3				10	25	12			47
Willowdale									3				10	15	18			43
Willow Valley									3				6	12	14	24	2	58
Zion Hill									4				17	39	19	5		71
TOTAL	1	3	5	17	10	15	18	71	8	34	45	198	169	295	364	21	1139	

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Blowing Rock	2,333.78	1,710.00	251.01	47.00	81.45	98.40	146.07		30.15	78.30	831.50	732.38	4,766.26
Boone	8,459.92	3,288.52	3,462.33	300.00	150.00	152.54	684.16	1,130.00	300.00	120.00		7,210.53	18,988.97
Brushy Fork	5,144.94	852.50	71.88				71.88		103.57	20.00	13.85	281.18	6,278.62
Clark's Creek	721.33	240.05	60.00	6.00			21.21		48.00	42.00		171.21	1,232.59
Cool Springs	555.30	326.64							118.75			118.75	1,000.69
Cove Creek	7,051.31	2,395.00	484.98	120.00	63.49	63.44	41.20	12.00		75.05	10.00	870.08	10,316.39
Elk Knob		255.00							12.50	5.00		17.50	272.50
Forest Grove	949.45	391.86	3.55	12.00	149.67	14.25		54.58	3.55	13.64	38.58	263.57	1,604.88
Friendship	374.79	183.87							45.10	43.54	42.79	157.68	716.34
Gap Creek	11,167.08	350.08							47.50		46.00	93.50	11,610.66
Green Valley	447.77	368.60								7.05		7.05	823.42
Howards Creek	134.44	383.19							26.40	5.00	40.80	72.20	589.83



Gap Creek	Russell Welborn, Deep Gap	9			11,000	
Green Valley	Fonzo Tester, Sugar Grove	6			4,000	
Howards Creek	Guy H. Norris, Boone				4,500	
Laurel Springs	D. L. Stanberry, Laxon	6			15,000	
Mabel	Mrs. Helen Williams, Mabel	4			8,500	
Meat Camp	Earl Greene, Boone	7			8,000	550
Middle Fork	Neil Ashley, Blowing Rock	5		6,000	18,000	
Mount Calvary	Mrs. Homer Shoemaker, Balm				4,000	
Mount Calvary	Clay Phillips, Reese				2,000	
Mount Gilead	W. L. Greenwell, Heaton				5,500	
Mount Lebanon	Lewis L. Moore, Vilas	20	10		35,500	100 120
Oak Grove	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Boone	20	12		25,000	5,000 250 80
Perkinsville	Woodrow Greene, Boone				20,000	1,731
Pleasant Grove	Don H. Perry, Zionville	8		14,600	20,000	
Poplar Grove	Henry Austin, Boone	6			3,000	
Proffit Grove	Kermit Proffit, Zionville				2,000	
Rich Mountain	Luthre C. Moretz, Zionville	6			10,000	
Rutherford	Mrs. E. M. Bodenhammer, Boone				8,000	
Shulls Mills	J. M. Day, Boone	4			12,000	193
South Fork	Leslie Norris, Todd				12,000	
Stoney Fork	Joe J. Wellborn, Stony Fork	10			5,000	
Tabernacle	Fred N. Brown, Boone	3			35,000	
Three Forks	Walter F. Edmisten, Boone	8			4,500	
Timbered Ridge	Spencer May, Reese	7			6,000	
Union	Ivan Younce, Mabel	3			4,500	
White Rock	Mrs. Hade Smith, Banner Elk	5			10,000	
Willowdale	Gladys Mast, Vilas	5			15,000	1,500
Willow Valley	Mrs. Bonnie Kirby, Sugar Grove	5			15,000	
Zion Hill	Ronald Ward, Beech Creek	5			15,000	
Zionville	James R. Martin, Zionville	6			20,000	
TOTAL		161	59 240	42,100	567,500	12,239 410 500

TABLE D — WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

ASSOCIATIONAL PRESIDENT

MRS. C. J. FARTHING, BOONE, N. C.

CHURCHES	Presidents of W. M. S. & Addresses										Enrolled in Mission Study	To. Tithers All Org.	
	W. M. S. Units	Y. W. A. Units	G. A. Units	R. A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W. M. S. Enrolled	Y. W. A. Enrolled	G. A. Enrolled	R. A. Enrolled			Sunbeam Enrolled
Blowing Rock	2	1	1	1	1	5	31	8	9	9	57	36	18
Boone	5	1	1	1	1	9	86	12	14	13	40	165	35
Cove Creek	1	1	1	1	1	6	31	9	19	9	15	83	43
Laurel Springs	1	1	2	1	1	1	23				23	4	10
Mabel	1					1	15				15	15	10
Mount Calvary	1		1			2	7	5			12	12	3
Oak Grove	1		1	1	1	4	30	11	6	10	57	20	12
Perkinsville	1		1	1	1	4	20	8	8	10	46		
Poplar Grove	1		1	1	1	4	12	10	15	12	49		
Rutherford	1		1	1	1	4	19	11	19		19		
Stony Fork	1		1	1	1	4	11	11	11		11		
Willowdale	1		1	1	1	4	22	22			22		
Willow Valley	1		1	1	1	4	12	12			12		
TOTAL	18	2	8	6	6	40	319	21	75	60	96	571	153



Laurel Springs	3,723.77	990.38	46.97	8.00	43.00	66.80	24.23	5.00	119.00	47.45	82.25	442.70	5,156.85
Mabel	432.59	430.50	43.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	20.50	53.00	46.00	55.00	161.00	1,024.16
Meat Camp	239.65	536.30	36.00	36.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	127.11	18.00	218.74	259.61	1,035.56
Middle Fork	1,098.79	507.23	36.00	36.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	128.16	45.14	18.50	224.30	1,842.76
Mount Calvary	760.64	1,400.00	36.00	36.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	18.50	18.50	106.86	18.50	2,384.94
Mountain Dale	67.54	338.59	270.91	360.75	77.82	35.47	60.25	4.00	16.45	3.80	3.80	127.11	424.63
Mount Gilead	707.40	360.75	360.75	360.75	77.82	35.47	60.25	4.00	129.37	38.00	147.00	129.37	398.02
Mount Lebanon	3,022.75	1,835.00	96.68	185.31	77.82	35.47	60.25	4.00	100.00	38.00	147.00	740.53	5,598.28
Oak Grove	3,796.08	2,075.00	194.42	78.00	134.00	31.00	47.42	4.00	120.00	99.55	88.00	796.39	6,667.47
Perkinsville	3,532.69	886.78	12.66	28.00	37.90	15.00	27.50	7.00	108.00	41.60	191.25	381.51	4,800.98
Pleasant Grove	655.11	755.00	75.00	40.00	37.90	15.00	27.50	7.00	130.55	40.90	25.64	392.50	1,802.61
Poplar Grove	572.81	348.87	75.00	40.00	5.63	5.63	74.85	74.85	14.00	8.18	31.56	135.22	1,057.90
Profit Grove	113.00	360.00	360.00	360.00	43.58	43.58	87.42	87.42	14.00	37.66	241.28	604.67	512.00
Rich Mountain	985.04	613.74	1.20	8.05	21.13	165.29	15.00	56.24	194.73	36.86	10.45	123.51	2,203.45
Rutherford	415.29	507.66	1.20	8.05	21.13	165.29	15.00	56.24	75.00	36.86	10.45	123.51	1,046.45
Shulls Mills	2,124.93	469.58	23.00	8.05	17.66	7.00	7.00	7.00	52.00	15.00	32.35	130.05	2,724.56
South Fork	1,298.64	1,078.39	155.08	2.00	36.00	36.00	15.00	15.00	181.13	29.75	522.28	1,088.67	3,467.70
Stony Fork	298.02	308.42	2.00	2.00	17.66	7.00	7.00	7.00	22.00	28.00	132.50	272.40	878.84
Tabernacle	4,007.46	1,012.21	365.82	320.16	36.00	36.00	15.00	15.00	146.00	117.38	10.97	314.38	5,802.93
Three Forks	350.47	444.63	9.00	9.00	35.00	10.00	11.00	5.00	50.00	69.00	148.18	105.73	696.95
Timbered Ridge	796.80	451.38	75.00	40.40	14.00	3.00	26.00	26.00	102.84	26.00	257.93	390.02	900.73
Union	1,239.80	980.00	75.00	40.40	14.00	3.00	26.00	26.00	120.00	26.00	257.93	304.40	1,638.20
White Rock	172.14	303.66	50.00	50.00	7.17	7.17	7.17	7.17	49.00	9.55	296.85	356.93	2,524.20
Willowdale	905.00	471.32	905.00	905.00	7.17	7.17	7.17	7.17	55.05	9.55	296.85	361.45	832.73
Willow Valley	1,681.92	980.64	980.64	980.64	7.17	7.17	7.17	7.17	321.16	48.75	158.65	534.73	1,737.77
Zion Hill	72,737.14	32,281.36	5,156.87	945.08	732.83	946.86	1,359.34	1,287.32	3,815.09	1,346.47	3,853.27	19,510.32	3,198.29
Zionville	72,737.14	32,281.36	5,156.87	945.08	732.83	946.86	1,359.34	1,287.32	3,815.09	1,346.47	3,853.27	19,510.32	3,198.29
TOTAL	72,737.14	32,281.36	5,156.87	945.08	732.83	946.86	1,359.34	1,287.32	3,815.09	1,346.47	3,853.27	19,510.32	124,528.82

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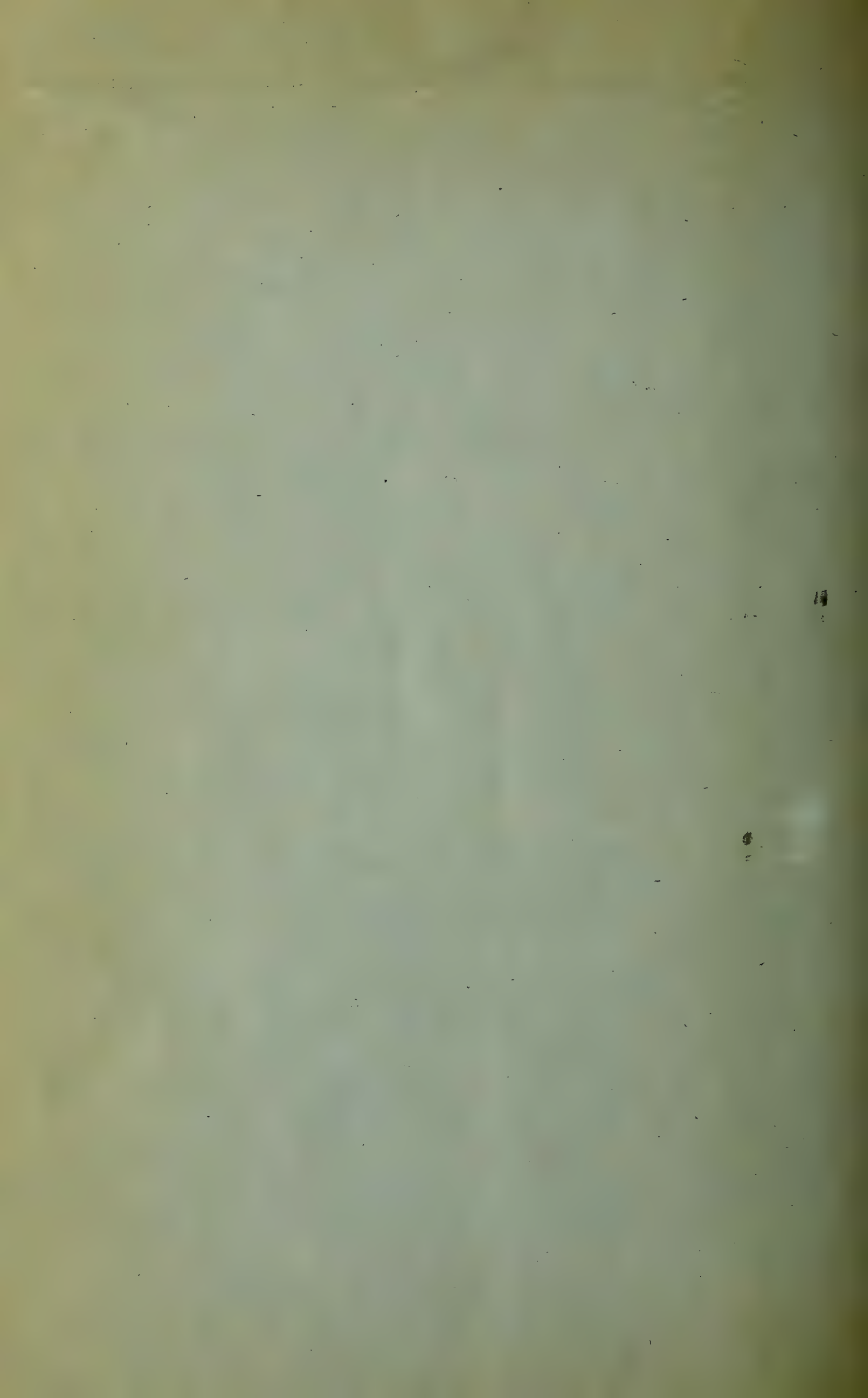
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SOUTH FORK BAPTIST CHURCH

TODD, N. C.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 1953

GREEN VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

REESE, N. C.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 1953

THE ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

TO BE HELD WITH OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

BOONE, N. C.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 1954

BOONE BAPTIST CHURCH

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 1953

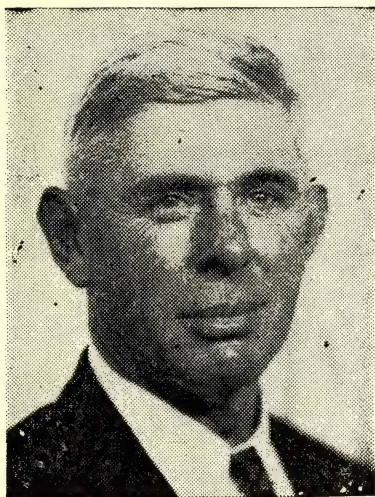
E. O. Gore to preach the Annual Sermon

Gene Sherwood, Alternate

Cecil Glenn to preach on second day

Homer Greene, Alternate





**ELDER R. C. EGGERS**

The minutes of the One Hundred and Thirteenth Annual Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association are hereby dedicated to Elder R. C. Eggers, our retiring Moderator. He has served our Association very faithfully and very successfully for eleven years as Moderator — 1936 to 1940 and 1948 to 1953.

He joined Zionville Baptist Church in 1910 where he is a member at present. His active ministry has extended over a period of forty years since he was ordained in 1914. As a pastor and an evangelist he has worked in several Associations in North Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky. His life is an inspiration and a benediction to all who know him.





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Alfred Adams	Boone
Henry Austin	Boone

**COMMITTEES TO REPORT TO THE 1954 SESSION**

Associational Progress	S. C. Eggers and Mrs. Blanche Perry
Benevolences	Gene Sherwood and R. C. Eggers
Christian Education	Cecil Glenn and Henry Austin
Memorial Service	Mrs. Nora Wilson and Mrs. Ray Lawrence
Missions	C. O. Vance and Victor Trivett
Public Morals	Harold Songer and Lloyd Culler
Religious Literature	Rex West and Woodrow Greene
Resolutions	L. H. Hagaman and Wade E. Brown
W. M. U.	Mrs. R. R. Garvey and Mrs. Russell D. Hodges

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Director	Ralph Beshears, Boone
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Choister	Wm. Hodges, Boone
Pianist	Kathleen Ward, Boone
Pastor-Adviser	Harold Songer, Sherwood
Adult Leader	Maude Perry, Sherwood
Young Peoples Leader	Mrs. Ruby Perry, Zionville
Intermediate Leader	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville
Junior Leader	Bure! Greene, Boone
Story Hour Leader	Mrs. C. O. Vance, Boone
Group Directors	J. L. Shore, Blowing Rock Hoy Greene, Boone Minnie Dare Greene, Vilas

### SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

Superintendent	Woodrow Greene, Boone
Superintendent V. B. S.	R. C. Eggers, Zionville
Supt. of Evangelism	Rex West, Zionville
Supt. of Enlargement	C. O. Vance, Boone
Supt. of Training	Harold Songer, Sherwood
Assistant Supt.	Howard Hodges, Boone
Assistant Supt.	John Walsler, Blowing Rock
Secretary-Treasurer	Mrs. Blanche Perry, Sherwood
Pianist	Joyce Perry, Sherwood
Choister	Wm. Hodges, Boone
Cradle Roll Supt.	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Boone
Beginners Supt.	Mrs. Kent Brown, Blowing Rock
Primary Supt.	Mrs. Ruby Michael, Boone
Junior Supt.	Mrs. Victor Trivett, Vilas
Intermediate Supt.	Mrs. Dorothy Greene
Young Peoples Supt.	Mrs. Woodrow Greene, Boone
Adult Superintendent	Ray Lawrence, Boone
Extension Dept. Supt.	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville
Group Superintendents	Earl Greene, Boone Edgar Greene, Vilas W. R. Vines, Sugar Grove

### WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION ORGANIZATION

Superintendent	Mrs. Blanche Perry, Sherwood
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Literature Chairman	Alma Hodges, Boone
Margaret Fund and Training Chairman	Mrs. Alfred Adams, Boone
Young Peoples' Leader	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville
Y. W. A. Counselor	Mrs. Frances Greene, Boone
R. A. Counselor	John Ward, Boone
G. A. Counselor	Mrs. Cecil Glenn, Boone
Sunbeam Counselor	Mrs. C. O. Vance, Boone

### ORDAINED MINISTERS

BEAVER DAM — Carl Wilson	Reese
BETHEL — J. H. Crisp	Lenoir
E. J. Farthing	Sugar Grove

BLOWING ROCK — J. M. Hodges .....	Blowing Rock
BOONE — L. H. Hollingsworth .....	Boone
D. M. Edmisten .....	Boone
W. F. Smith .....	Boone
John Davis .....	Boone
BRUSHY FORK — Victor Trivett .....	Vilas
Ronda Earp .....	Vilas
Grady Minton .....	Vilas
COOL SPRINGS — W. C. Payne .....	Blowing Rock
Howard Shore .....	Hudson
Albert Tester .....	Blowing Rock
COVE CREEK — Harold Songer .....	Sherwood
James C. Sherwood .....	New York, N. Y. APO
Gene Sherwood .....	Sherwood
Gilbert Adams .....	Fort Worth, Texas
ELK KNOB — Noah Johnson .....	Todd
Walter Johnson .....	Trade, Tenn.
FOREST GROVE — Fred Hagaman .....	Vilas
Dave Greene .....	Vilas
FRIENDSHIP — Glenn South .....	Trade, Tenn.
Cartie Eggers .....	Hickory
LAUREL SPRINGS — W. C. Greene .....	Deep Gap
Levi Greene .....	Deep Gap
MABEL — Barnie Oliver .....	Mabel
MEAT CAMP — N. M. Greene .....	Boone
A. E. Moretz .....	Boone
MIDDLE FORK — R. H. Shore .....	Blowing Rock
James Matney .....	Cordell, Okla.
MOUNT CALVARY — Roby Painter .....	Banner Elk
MOUNT LEBANON — T. T. Danner .....	Valle Crucis
OAK GROVE — C. O. Vance .....	Boone
PERKINSVILLE — Cecil Glenn .....	Boone
PLEASANT GROVE — Rex West .....	Zionville
PROFFIT GROVE — Robert Proffit .....	Zionville
RUTHERWOOD — A. B. Church .....	Boone
STONY FORK — H. H. Smith .....	Deep Gap
Bynum Trivett .....	Stony Fork
Homer F. Greene .....	Deep Gap
THREE FORKS — Raymond Hendrix .....	Boone
UNION — Arnet Greer .....	Mabel
WHITE ROCK — Robert Allen .....	Rominger
Wm. H. Smith .....	Banner Elk
WILLOWDALE — E. O. Gore .....	Vilas
WILLOW VALLEY — Oscar Ward .....	Sugar Grove
ZION HILL — L. H. Hagaman .....	Reese
ZIONVILLE — R. C. Eggers .....	Zionville
Dewey Trivett .....	Zionville

## LICENTIATES

BETHANY — A. T. Watson .....	Rominger
Gold Hicks .....	Rominger
BRUSHY FORK — Earl Colvard .....	Vilas
CLARK'S CREEK — Basil Tester .....	Banner Elk
Robert Greene .....	Banner Elk
TIMBERED RIDGE — John Ward .....	Reese



WHITE ROCK — Paul Arnett ..... Banner Elk  
 Lawrence Greene ..... Banner Elk

### MESSENGERS

ANTIOCH — Frank Cable, Ralph Harmon, M. L. Shepherd  
 BEAVER DAM — Clyde Robinson, Clay Robinson, Lee Swift  
 BEECH VALLEY — Sam L. Ward, Norman Reece, Acie McGuire  
 BETHANY — A. T. Watson, Victor Farthing, Iris Harmon  
 BETHEL — Doughton Tester, S. G. Lawrence, Geo. Edmisten  
 BLOWING ROCK — Kent Brown, John Walser, Mrs. R. R. Garvey  
 BOONE — S. C. Eggers, Mrs. R. D. Hodges, F. C. Miller  
 BRUSHY FORK — Roy Brown, Clyde Love, Chas. Moody  
 CLARK'S CREEK — Fred Townsend, George Byrd, Basil Tester  
 COOL SPRINGS — Albert Tester, W. W. Austin, Ronda Hartley  
 COVE CREEK — Mrs. Nora Wilson, Maude Perry, Johnie Sherwood  
 ELK KNOB — Lloyd Miller, H. M. South, Earl Ellison  
 FOREST GROVE — George Roark, Grady Trivett, Paul Carpenter  
 FRIENDSHIP — C. C. Main, Glenn South, Russell Garland  
 GAP CREEK — Mrs. G. O. Triplett, Thos. Fairchild, Mrs. R. D. Wellborn  
 GREEN VALLEY — Fonzo Tester, Jack Farthing, Young Smitherman  
 HOWARDS CREEK — Guy Norris, Watson Tester, John Hayes  
 LAUREL SPRINGS — Stanford Jones, W. H. Stanbery, Mrs. Stanford Jones  
 MABEL — Jim Burkett, Ed Williams, Mrs. Blan Norris  
 MEAT CAMP — Mrs. A. E. Moretz, Mrs. W. H. Greene, Mrs. Howard Gragg  
 MIDDLE FORK — R. H. Shore, Blum Triplett, Perry Ashley  
 MOUNTAIN DALE — Collis Greene, Roy Norris, Clyde Cornett  
 MOUNT CALVARY — R. E. Smith, W. H. Shoemaker, Mrs. R. E. Smith  
 MOUNT GILEAD — Ted Reece, Arnold Ward, Luther Bunton  
 MOUNT LEBANON — Leonard Hayes, Bynum Hodges, John Earp  
 OAK GROVE — C. J. Farthing, L. M. Hodges, Howard Hodges  
 PERKINSVILLE — Burl Greene, Mrs. Homer Lane, Mrs. Ralph Hartley  
 PLEASANT GROVE — Ruby Perry, Marjorie Reece, Effie Culler  
 POPLAR GROVE — Jessie Harmon, M. W. Day, Edna Holloway  
 PROFFIT GROVE — Arlie Bryan, W. A. Proffit, Paul Greene  
 RICH MOUNTAIN — Oma Lewis, Jessie Culler, Forace Moretz  
 RUTHERWOOD — R. V. Brown, Stuart Brown, Fred Norris  
 SHULLS MILLS —  
 SOUTH FORK — Chas. Risk, Page Norris, Glenn Howell  
 STONY FORK — Isaac Smith, Theo. Kerhoulas, Homer Greene  
 TABERNACLE — Dallas Norris, K. W. Brown, Ruth Moretz  
 THREE FORKS — Troy Greene, Roby Greer, Ruby Michael  
 TIMBERED RIDGE —  
 UNION — Otto Thomas, Frank Main, Marvin Norris



VANDERPOOL — Mrs. Wm. Sheffield, Chas. Nicks, Mrs. Willard Eller  
WHITE ROCK — Ralph Arnett, Hade Smith, Lillie Eggers  
WILLOWDALE — Tom Lawrence, I. A. Bumgarner, Della Edmisten  
WILLOW VALLEY — Dillard Greene, George Harmon, Mrs. George Harmon  
ZION HILL—Roby Presnell, Graydon Hagaman, Lewis Harmon  
ZIONVILLE — Joe Wilson, N. T. Byers, Hattie Wilson

## Constitution

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who, on producing letters from their respective church certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, the ministers being ex-officio.

2. In the letters from the different churches is to be expressed their numbers in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed by letter, excommunicated and dead since last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any special power over the churches. They shall not infringe upon any internal right of any church in this Union.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and clerk who shall be chosen annually by the suffrage of the members present.

5. New churches or any regular church of Christ being locally dismissed by letter by any sister Association upon application and delegates, shall be admitted to our Union.

6. Every church in the Association shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

7. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be once read and before it is debated the Moderator shall put it to a vote, and if there is a majority for it being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and be debated, but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of their proceedings. The best method of accomplishing this purpose shall be at the direction of the future Associations.

10. We think it is absolutely necessary that we shall have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For the raising and supporting of which we think it to be the duty of each church in the Union to contribute annually such sums as they may think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association. The money thus raised shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer, appointed by the Association, who shall be accountable for the same. He shall pay the money out from time to time as the Association may direct.

11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for this service.

12. The minutes of this Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and the Clerk before the Association rises.

13. Amendments to the plans or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association when they deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months prior notice.

14. The Association shall have power:

To provide for the general union of the churches.

To endeavor to preserve a chain of union among the churches.

To give the churches the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

To appropriate the money contributed by the churches for an Associational fund to any purpose they may think proper.

To have power to withdraw from any church in their Union who shall violate the rules of this Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

To correspond with sister Associations.

To invite any Baptist in the ministry to a seat in the Association, who may be present at the time of their sitting.

To adjourn the Association to any future time and place they may think proper and most convenient to the churches of the Union.

## Rules Of Decorum

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

3. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect upon the person who spoke before him as to make remarks on his steps, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state the matter as he can do so as to give his views or ideas.

4. No person shall abruptly break or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

5. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on any one subject without liberty from the Association.

6. No member shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same or whispering in the time of public speaking.

7. No member shall address another in any other appellation than that of brother.

8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

9. The names of the several members of the Association

shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as required by the Association.

10. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any of the other members, provided the chair be filled. He shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION  
THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OF N. C.  
HELD WITH  
SOUTH FORK AND GREEN VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCHES  
TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25 and 26, 1953**

**FIRST DAY**

1. The One Hundred Thirteenth Annual Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina convened with South Fork Baptist Church, Todd, N. C. at 9:10 a. m. Tuesday, August 25, 1953.

2. In the absence of the song leader, E. R. Mikeal led the song service using "How Firm A Foundation" and Gene Sherwood conducted the devotional.

3. The Moderator, R. C. Eggers, called the One Hundred Thirteenth Session to order for the transaction of business.

4. The Moderator's address was delivered on the subject, "When Jesus Comes."

5. Wade E. Brown, Chairman of the Executive Committee, presented the suggested program for the Session. The report was duly passed.

6. The Moderator called for the report on Public Morals. The report was not ready and a motion prevailed to discuss the subject. R. M. Haus, Allied Church League of North Carolina, spoke, calling our attention to the two outstanding matters of public morals at this time — Legalized Liquor Stores and Legalized Gambling — pointing out that the only way to solve them is by the right kind of teaching in the HOME and CHURCH.

7. The report of the Executive Committee was made by its Chairman, Wade E. Brown, as follows:

a. That the Spring Session be discussed by the present Annual Session and a decision arrived at as to whether or not to discontinue.

b. That the Associational Mission program be continued and enlarged.

c. That the Association elect a Camp Director for the camp which is now under construction.

By a motion duly made and unanimously passed, Mrs. Nora M. Wilson was elected Camp Director for Camp Joy.

After considerable discussion it was voted to continue the Spring Session of the Association and that the Committee on Time, Place and Preacher receive invitations for the Spring Session and decide where it will be held.

8. A. C. Moody offered the report on Religious Literature. It was discussed by C. W. Bazemore, Assistant Editor Biblical Recorder and J. C. Canipe, Secretary for Evangelism for N. C. Baptists and was adopted.

### REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Christian literature is a tremendous force in the lives of our people today. In our own country virtually all persons read, and what they read is largely what they believe. Glorious opportunities are ours to crusade for Christian literature. If we fail to meet such opportunities, our Baptist people and Baptist work will suffer untold harm from little vision and lack of knowledge.

In days of old, the prophet Hosea said, "My people perish for lack of knowledge." Today the devil is exploiting as never before, the power of the printed word. The mails, the news-stands, and too many homes, are loaded with the ugly tide of bad books, periodicals, magazines cleverly designed to delude people, to promote cheap diversions, to glorify worldliness, to encourage Sabbath-breaking and liquor sales with all its attendant evils, and to undermine Christianity in general.

To meet this evil flood of bad literature we have a marvelous array of well printed, sound Baptist periodicals, Sunday School and other Christian publications for every age, spiritual interest and need. Perhaps no denomination in America has so fine a selection of Christian literature as Southern Baptists have today. The aim of it all is to inform, enlist, indoctrinate, unify and inspire our people for faithful service in our Lord's name. Our Christian literature must be magnified and promoted in all the churches if God's work is to go forward.

In our own state, the **BIBLICAL RECORDER** is the one publication covering the entire field of our co-operative efforts as Baptists. Without our State Baptist paper a successful promotion of all our Baptist work would be well-nigh impossible. For 120 years the **RECORDER** has been going into Baptist homes with its weekly message. Wise pastors, associational missionaries, Sunday School superintendents and many other leaders have over the years promoted its circulation, and they have rejoiced at the many visible fruits of good reading. People do more when they know more. As they read, they lead. As they are informed, they are inspired. In 1830 North Carolina Baptists were organized with the stated purpose of "promoting missions, education, social service, and the distribution of sound religious literature."

9. The Clerk, Clyde R. Greene, called the roll of the churches; five failed to answer. The clerk reported that he had received letters from all the churches except Shulls Mills. (This report was received later.)

10. The Moderator recognized the twenty-eight ministers present including the following new pastors in our Association:

M. D. Hart — South Fork.  
Gene Sherwood — Vanderpool.  
Homer Greene — Three Forks.  
B. F. Porch — Poplar Grove

11. The following Committees were appointed by the Moderator to report at this Session:

FINANCE — L. M. Hodges and Clyde Robinson.

NOMINATIONS — C. O. Vance, Woodrow Greene and C. J. Farthing.

TIME, PLACE and PREACHER — S. C. Eggers and C. J.



**Farthing.**

12. The Moderator extended an invitation for any church seeking membership in our Association and a new church just organized at Vilas, N. C. RFD-Vanderpool-responded with a church letter and messengers. A committee composed of E. O. Gore, Ronda Earp and Ira Hodges, was appointed to examine this church and report to the Association later.

13. The Moderator announced that the time had arrived for the Annual Sermon and after a song led by C. J. Farthing he presented Victor Trivett, the appointee to preach.

Bro. Trivett read from the 16th chapter of Matthew and announced his subject, "Who Is Christ?" He answered this question by pointing out very vividly that CHRIST IS Savior, King, God, The Son of Man, The Bread of Life, The Light of the World, Creator of All Things, The Forgiver of Sin, Our Daily Strength and above all, Love.

Bro. Trivett closed his sermon with a plea for greater consecration and dedication on the part of all Christians.

14. The Association recessed for the noon recess, benediction by C. H. Kincaid.

**NOON RECESS**

15. The Association reconvened at 1:00 p. m. after a bountiful lunch served on the church lawn. E. O. Gore led the congregation in singing, "More About Jesus" and David Greene conducted the devotional.

16. The Committee on the Application of Vanderpool Church for admission into our Association reported favorably and the church was received. The Moderator extended the hand of welcome to the pastor and messengers.

17. By motion duly passed, Superintendent W. C. Reed of the Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina, spoke on our Orphanage work.

18. The report on Woman's Missionary Union was not ready and by motion duly passed, it will be received tomorrow

19. Woodrow Greene offered the report on Mission. After a motion to adopt, the report was discussed by L. H. Hollingsworth who announced the resignation of Mrs. Blanche Perry as Associational Missionary. The Association stood as an expression of our appreciation of her very valuable work during the past years. The discussion of the report was continued by Dr. M. A. Huggins, Secretary of the Baptist State Convention. The report was adopted.

**MISSIONS REPORT**

The members of Three Forks BAPTIST ASSOCIATION have made definite strides forward in some phases of the field of missions. Perhaps in some other phases of missionary endeavor we have not made the progress that we should be satisfied with, and when we Baptist can and will, interpret the scriptures correctly we will waste not another day in taking our place in the much needed mission program here in our association as well as all over our south land and throughout the world.

The 44 churches in the Three Forks Association present this record at this time in comparison with 1948, 1950 and 1952.



In 1948, approximately 14 churches of the 44 churches in this Association contributed to the Baptist Cooperative Program, State, Home and Foreign Mission. Only 7 churches contributed to Association Missions.

In 1950, approximately 13 churches of the 44 churches in the Association contributed to the Baptist Cooperative, State, Home, Foreign and only 4 to Association Missions.

In 1952, approximately 18 churches of the 44 churches in the Association contributed to the Baptist Cooperative Program State, Home, Foreign and 17 to Association Missions.

Of these churches who contributed to this phase of missions we find the amount of contributions in 1948: \$5,935.90., in 1950: \$6,725.23., and in 1952: \$9,090.98. This was for cooperative, Home, State, and Foreign Missions. The complete contributions to all missions amount to: 1948: \$12,618.03., in 1950: \$13,252.57., and in 1952: \$19,510.32.

So we see in 1952 we did make notable progress in contributions to missions. Also we made very noticeable progress in number of churches participating in our Baptist Mission Program.

Christ gave very plain instructions on this matter of missions. So plain that we can't misinterpret the true meaning, and in chapter after chapter, in book after book of the New Testament we find specific instructions on preaching and teaching not only for ourselves, but to others from us. Can we afford to ignore these instructions? What a wonderful opportunity to do something for Christ.

WOODROW GREENE  
KENT BROWN

### REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 1952 — AUGUST 25, 1953

Churches worked in or visited .....	44
Talks made in churches .....	86
Vacation Bible Schools held .....	11
Study Courses taught .....	5
Individual conferences held .....	661
Committee meetings attended .....	47
Associational meetings attended .....	39
Regional meetings attended .....	4
State meetings attended .....	7
Helped with organization of Training Unions .....	4
Helped with organization of Church Library .....	1
Clerk for organization of church .....	1
Attended W. M. S. and Young People's meetings .....	72
Attended county-wide revival .....	6
Attended Preacher's School .....	5

PROMOTED: Sunday Schools, Training Unions, W. M. U. Organizations, Vacation Bible Schools, Bible Study Week, Central Training School for Sunday School, Central Training School for Training Union, Church Libraries, Associational Choir, Religious Literature, Baptist Hospital, Wake Forest College, Associational Camp.

ATTENDED: State W. M. U. Leadership Conference, Fruitland; State Sunday School meeting, Hickory; State Training Union meeting, Asheville; Baptist State Convention, Winston Salem; State Sunday School Leadership Week, Shelby; State Vacation Bible School Clinic, Fruitland; Regional Sunday School Meeting, North Wilkesboro; Regional Training Union meeting, North Wilkesboro; Regional Training Union meeting, Taylorsville; Divisional W. M. U. meeting, North Wilkesboro; Interracial Institute, Asheville.

Speaker for Associational Young People's Rally — Ashe Association.

Led conference for Vacation Bible School Clinic — Ashe Association.

Led conference for Vacation Bible School Clinic — Brushy Mountain Association.

20. The Association recessed to meet tomorrow at Green Valley Baptist church, benediction by L. H. Hollingsworth.

**SECOND DAY**

21. The Moderator, R. C. Eggers, called the Session to order at 9:15 a. m. at Green Valley Baptist church, Reese, N. C. After the song service led by E. O. Gore, Fred Hagaman conducted the opening worship service.

22. Clyde R. Greene read the report on Associational Progress. The report was discussed by L. H. Hollingsworth, Mrs. Ruby Michael, S. C. Eggers and Mrs. Blanche Perry and was duly adopted.

**REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL PROGRESS**

	1952	1953	Gain or Loss
Number of Churches	44	45	1 Gain
Church Membership	8163	8329	164 Gain
Churches Reporting Baptisms	37	35	2 Loss
Number of Baptisms Reported	302	256	46 Loss
Sunday School Enrollment	6050	6155	105 Gain
Churches Reporting W. M. U.'s	13	12	1 Loss
W. M. U. Enrollment	571	520	51 Loss
Churches Reporting B. T. U.'s	15	18	3 Gain
B. T. U. Enrollment	1139	1211	72 Gain
Churches Reporting Brotherhoods	4	4	Even
Brotherhood Enrollment	161	162	1 Gain
Local Contributions	105,018.50	98,541.61	6,476.89 Loss
Missions & Benevolences	19,510.32	18,952.50	557.82 Loss
Total Contributions	124,528.82	117,494.11	7,034.71 Loss
Gifts to Orphanage	3,815.09	4,167.80	352.71 Gain
Gifts to Hospital	1,346.47	1,422.88	76.41 Gain

Respectfully submitted,  
 RALPH BESHEARS,  
 STACEY C. EGGERS, JR.

23. In the absence of the members on the RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE the Moderator appointed Henry Hagaman and Cling Hodges.

24. The report on Christian Education was read by L. H. Hollingsworth and Woodrow Greene read the report on Sunday Schools. Both reports were considered as one and after a motion to adopt, it was discussed by L. H. Hollingsworth; Eugene Olive, Wake Forest College; Roger Crook, Meredith College; M. H. Kendall, Mars Hill College; Woodrow Greene, Associational Sunday School Superintendent and C. O. Vance. The report was adopted.

### REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian Education embraces every type of Christian training from that received in the home, the local church with all of its program such as Sunday Schools, Training Unions, W. M. U., etc. on through our Seminaries, but since all these phases of our Baptist work will be considered in other reports, this report will deal primarily with our Christian Colleges in North Carolina. For information we should all be acquainted with our newest Seminary, the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary now operating on the campus of Wake Forest College. It is beginning its third year of operation with an enrollment of 320. When Wake Forest College is moved to Winston-Salem the entire campus will be utilized by this great institution.

North Carolina Baptists have seven colleges, two senior: Wake Forest and Meredith and five junior: Mars Hill, Gardner-Webb, Campbell, Wingate and Chowan. As of October 15, 1952 the enrollment of these colleges were as follows: Wake Forest including the School of Medicine and Law, 1,714; Meredith, 600; Mars Hill, 787; Gardner-Webb, 401; Campbell, 440, including 54 high school students; Wingate, 255, including 63 high school students; and Chowan, 192, making a total of 4,389. This enrollment including Summer School exceeded 5,000 for the year.

From a financial standpoint the most significant undertaking in 1953 is the effort to complete the raising of \$1,500,000 in the churches for the removal program of Wake Forest College to Winston-Salem. This was authorized by our Convention in 1946 and it is confidently hoped that this amount will be raised by the end of the year.

As Baptists of Three Forks Association, how much do we know of these fine institutions? For the welfare of our boys and girls we should know more about our Baptist Schools. As parents and Pastors we should encourage more of our fine boys and girls to attend our own Baptist Supported Christian Schools.

Respectfully submitted,

WADE E. BROWN and JAMES SHERWOOD.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday School is being recognized more this year than ever before as the chief agency of the churches in evangelism, teaching and enlistment. The major emphasis for Baptist churches for 1953-54 is the effort to enroll a million more people in Sunday School in one year. Right of way has been granted for this, the greatest Sunday School enlargement pro-

gram in the history of the world. As a result of this program, it is confidently expected that there will be substantial increases in baptisms, offerings and Christian homes.

Our State Sunday School Secretary, L. L. Morgan, reports gains this year in enrolment, and it is expected that the number of Vacation Bible Schools will reach an all time high. In the 3,055 churches in the state, we now have more than 620,000 enrolled in Sunday School.

We are reporting in our association this year 45 Sunday Schools with an enrolment of 6,294. This represents a gain of 244 in membership.

We make the following recommendations: (1) That the Association approve the efforts of Baptist to enroll "A Million More in '54," and commend to the churches the practical plans for accomplishing this worthy objective. (2) That September 20-27 be observed as Preparation Week in the churches, or a week near this time if this date is not convenient. It is recommended that the new book, "The Pull Of 'The People,'" by Dr. J. N. Barnett, be taught in the churches. (3) That regular Sunday School meetings be held this year for the purpose of helping and inspiring the churches to greater zeal in reaching the multitudes for Bible study. (4) That the Association seek to do its full share in enrolling "A Million More In 54" by trying to enrol at least twenty per cent more people in their Sunday Schools in the year October 1953-October 1954. (5) That the churches spend at least a part of the time during Preparation Week, in Prayer, seeking Gods leadership in this enlargement program.

Signed: WOODROW GREENE,  
Associational Sunday School Supt.

25. The Moderator recognized James M. Hayes, Superintendent of the Baptist Home for the Aging. He requested the Association to stand and sing "Amazing Grace" and he distributed literature on the "HOME" after which he discussed this new work.

### **REPORT ON NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING**

The youngest member of our Baptist family of institutions, the North Carolina Baptist Homes, Inc., has had the best year since it began operating March 16, 1951.

Resthaven, with space for twenty residents, has been filled to capacity. The number of inquiries for rooms has increased into the hundreds.

The home received its best financial support. The share received from the nine year program (1952) was \$14,062.80; our first special day offering, February 15, exceeded \$52,000; and from individuals, churches, and auxiliary organizations we have received \$12,380.33, as of August 1.

The response to the first special day offering for the home was most encouraging. More than half of our 3055 Baptist churches responded. About seventy-five per cent of the amount came from the smaller churches.

Considering the short time our home has been operating (2 years), and the fact that this was the first opportunity to ap-



peal to our churches for a special offering, all of us should be encouraged by the response. Our next special day offering, February 21, 1954, should amount to \$100,000.

On June 18, this year, property was purchased for a Branch Home at Albemarle. This property, consisting of a vacated hospital building and a nurses' home building and nearly three acres of land, was purchased for \$25,000. It will cost an equal amount to renovate the property. Even so, it is well worth twice the amount invested. Thus, we can care for 60 residents—20 at Resthaven, Winston-Salem; and 40 at the Albemarle Home.

At the time of purchase, it was hoped that the branch home would be ready for operation by October 1, this year.

The general health of the residents has been exceptionally good, considering the range of their ages, 66 to 93. There has been only one death this year. The spirit and the general attitude of the residents have been most satisfactory.

There are many evidences of increasing interest in our homes. Pastors, conducting worship services, have brought delegations from their churches to share the inspiration of worship with our residents. Auxiliary and Sunday School groups have frequently visited us to conduct devotional services. Gifts of supplies and cash are often received from these various organizations.

Plans for the future enlargement are encouraging. With a general special day offering in February, 1954, and other special gifts from individuals and corporations, we should be ready to begin construction of our administration building, which would give us room for fifty additional residents, and making our total capacity 110 residents.

Since North Carolina Baptists now number more than 700,000 members, with thousands of our constituency now over 65 years of age, we should keep in mind the great number of our elderly brethren who need a home to provide security, comfort, congeniality, and a Christian ministry. Our North Carolina Baptists are able to meet the challenge to make adequate provision for the aging, and as "laborers together with God," we can meet it.

"Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength faileth." — Psalms 71:9.

Superintendent Hayes requests that a representative for the Baptist Homes be elected at each Association.

26. The election of officers being the next order of business, the Moderator called Wade E. Brown, Vice Moderator to the chair who called for nominations for Moderator. C. J. Farthing nominated L. H. Hollingsworth and he was unanimously elected. Other officers, all elected unanimously, are:

Vice-Moderator .....	C. J. Farthing
Clerk-Treasurer and Librarian .....	Mrs. Blanche Perry
Historian .....	R. C. Eggers
Song Leader .....	Rex West
Pianist .....	Kathleen Ward
Associational Missionary .....	(no election)

The selection of an Associational Missionary was left, by



motion duly passed, to the Executive, the Finance and the Missions Committees with power to act.

27. The Moderator, R. C. Eggers, resumed the chair and presented Ira Hodges, the appointee to preach. Bro. Hodges read from 3rd chapter of 1st Cor. and announced his subject, "Blessings For Believers." The following ten blessings, all coming from God were mentioned and emphasized: 1. Salvation through Christ. 2. All increase. 3. All good things. 4. Eternal life. 5. Happiness. 6. All temporal blessings. 7. Direction to our lives. 8. Protection to the believer. 9. The fellowship of the Spirit. 10. Understanding.

28. The Association recessed for noon, benediction by James M. Hodges.

### NOON RECESS

29. The Association reconvened at 1:15 after the messengers and visitors had partaken of a bountiful lunch served on the church lawn.

30. L. H. Hollingsworth, newly elected Moderator, who had to leave the Session because of a funeral, spoke briefly, expressing his appreciation for his election. R. C. Eggers, retiring Moderator, presented Bro. Hollingsworth with a gavel made from the wood of a tree which grew on the original site of Three Forks Baptist Church which was organized in 1790 at which the Three Forks Baptist Association was organized fifty years later, 1840.

31. N. M. Greene conducted the devotional service.

32. The Moderator called for the report on the Woman's Missionary Union which was postponed from yesterday. The report was not ready. (The following report was handed to the Clerk after the Session had adjourned.)

### REPORT ON WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Each Woman's Missionary Union of our Association is, as you know, an organization for the women and young people which meets regularly and has for its aims: to enlist women in prayer, study of the missionary message of the Bible and world missions, regular contribution to missions, community missions, and the missionary education of young people.

Our organizations now total 12 W. M. S. and 21 Young People's organizations. The reading and studying of books on prayer, stewardship and world missions has included almost every member. A special emphasis on stewardship was given in October, 1952 when Miss Janet Wilson and Mrs. John Wacaster, Field Representatives, led our women and young people in a week of study on stewardship.

Our W. M. U. annual associational meeting held at Perkinsville church on April 23, brought to us the joy and inspiration of Executive Secretary, and the inspirational challenge from Miss Frances Talley, Missionary to Japan.

Emphasis this year "Christ for the Whole Wide World" is a challenge to all. "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." (John 4:35b)

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Herman Eggers,  
Mrs. Kathleen B. Ward.

33. S. C. Eggers offered the report on Benevolences and led the discussion. W. K. McGhee, Baptist hospital, Winston-Salem and R. C. Eggers also spoke to the report which was adopted.

### REPORT ON BENEVOLENCES

Under the heading of Benevolences we carry the work of the orphanages, the hospital and ministers relief. Our two orphanages, Mills Home and Kennedy Home have not only been our care, but our blessing. May we continue to care for them by our monthly offering in Sunday School and with a great Thanksgiving offering each year.

Our hospital at Winston-Salem is enlarging in keeping with the new demands of the sick over the state and the great new medical college connected with it. May we continue our Mothers Day offering in ever increasing amounts.

Our old ministers relief dept, will continue to help those old retired servants of God, who have no other provisions for them. Our new plan will help more and will be a blessing to all our churches and preachers. We recommend our new plan to all our churches.

L. H. Hollingsworth,  
S. C. Eggers, Committees.

34. Clyde R. Greene read the treasurer's report which was adopted as read:

### REPORT OF THE TREASURER GENERAL ASSOCIATION FUND

#### RECEIPTS:

Balance from 1952 .....	\$ 12.36	
Minute Fund .....	251.18	\$ 263.54

#### DISBURSEMENTS:

1,000 Minutes .....	179.90	
Clerk .....	40.00	
Postage .....	10.75	
Programs .....	6.50	237.15
Balance .....		\$ 26.39

### ASSOCIATIONAL MISSION FUND

#### RECEIPTS:

Balance from 1952 .....	38.84	
Received from the Churches .....	779.18	
Received from Baptist State Board ...	830.00	
Received from State Board for V. B. S. . .	163.15	\$1,811.17

#### DISBURSEMENTS:

Salary of Missionary .....	\$1,620.00	
V. S. Schools .....	163.15	\$1,783.15
Balance .....		\$ 28.02

We owe our Missionary \$345.00 back salary.

Respectfully submitted,  
Clyde R. Greene, Treas.

35. L. M. Hodges presented the report of the Finance Committee as follows which was adopted:

**REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Received from the Churches ..... \$268.08  
 Paid to the Treasurer ..... \$268.08  
 Respectfully submitted,  
 L. M. Hodges,  
 Clyde Robinson.

36. The report of the Nominating Committee was read by C. J. Farthing and adopted. This report appears in our Associational Directory.

37. S. C. Eggers offered the report of the Resolutions Committee which was adopted without discussion.

**RESOLUTIONS**

WHEREAS, the One Hundred and Thirteenth Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association has been one of outstanding achievement, and

WHEREAS, our officers have rendered splendid service to the Association and have made every effort to make the present session a success, now, therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we express to the people of South Fork and Green Valley churches for this Annual Session and to the people of Willow Valley for the Spring Session our deep appreciation for their hospitality.

2. That we express to our officers our thanks for their services throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Cling Hodges,  
 Henry Hagaman.

38. The report of the Committee on Time, Place and Preacher was adopted as read by S. C. Eggers.

**REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER**

Time — Tuesday and Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in August 1954.

PLACE — Oak Grove first day and Boone second day.

PREACHERS — E. O. Gore, first day, Alternate, Gene Sherwood, Cecil Glenn, second day, Alternate Homer Greene.

PLACE FOR SPRING SESSION — Beaver Dam.

Respectfully submitted,  
 C. J. Farthing,  
 S. C. Eggers.

39. Mrs. Woodrow Greene conducted the memorial service for our departed members. She read the names of the fifty-six who have passed to the Great Beyond since our last session and led prayer.

40. The Executive Committee was directed to prepare a suggested order of business for our next session.

41. A motion prevailed that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with.

42. The clerk was directed to prepare the manuscript for the minutes, have 1,000 copies printed and distributed to the churches. \$40.00 was appropriated for the Clerk for this work.

43. C. O. Vance conducted the closing worship and pro-

nounced the benediction to close the One Hundred Thirteenth Annual Session of Three Forks Baptist Association.

R. C. Eggers, Moderator,  
Clyde R. Greene, Clerk.

### OUR BELOVED DEAD

- BEECH VALLEY —  
Mrs. Bernice Trivett.
- BETHANY —  
Deacon J. L. Triplett.
- BETHEL —  
Mrs. Polly Trivett, Mrs. Doxie Cornett, Mrs. Emma Phillips
- BLOWING ROCK —  
Mr. W. A. Carter, Mrs. Floy Mast, Mr. Fred C. Wilson.
- COOL SPRINGS —  
Mr. Q. B. Cannon, Mrs. Callie Shore.
- COVE CREEK —  
Miss Patrica Ann Swift.
- FOREST GROVE —  
Mr. J. M. Matheson, Mr. H. H. Johnson, Mrs. Callie Hen-  
son.
- GAP CREEK — Mr. L. H. Church, Mrs. Zora Smith, Miss  
Mary Day, Mrs. Alice Yates, Mrs. Alma Cawthorne.
- HOWARDS CREEK —  
Mrs. Hattie Miller, Mr. John A. Greene.
- LAUREL SPRINGS —  
Mrs. Belle McNeil, Mr. Alex Wellborn, Mr. Roby Greene.
- MABLE —  
Pfc. Selma Warren.
- MEAT CAMP —  
Mrs. Lula B. Setzer, Miss Mary McGuire.
- MIDDLE FORK —  
Mrs. Susie Norris.
- MOUNTAIN DALE —  
Mrs. Cora Stansberry.
- MOUNT GILEAD —  
Mrs. Martin Harmon.
- OAK GROVE —  
Mr. Jim Hodges, Mrs. John Greene, Mrs. Sallie Brown.
- PERKINSVILLE —  
Rev. Tipton Greene, Miss Mildred Guy.
- PLEASANT GROVE —  
Mrs. Nellie Perry, Miss Ruth Miller, Mr. Henry Wilson.  
Rev. John Hagaman, Mr. Jimmy Wilson.
- POPLAR GROVE —  
Mr. Sim Penly, Mr. John Winkler.
- SHULLS MILLS —  
Mr. Goss M. Teams.
- SOUTH FORK —  
Mr. Ernest Parsons.
- STONY FORK —  
Mr. W. M. Shirley.
- THREE FORKS —  
Mrs. Janie Greene, Mr. Albert Hodges, Mr. Dayton Bentley.
- UNION —



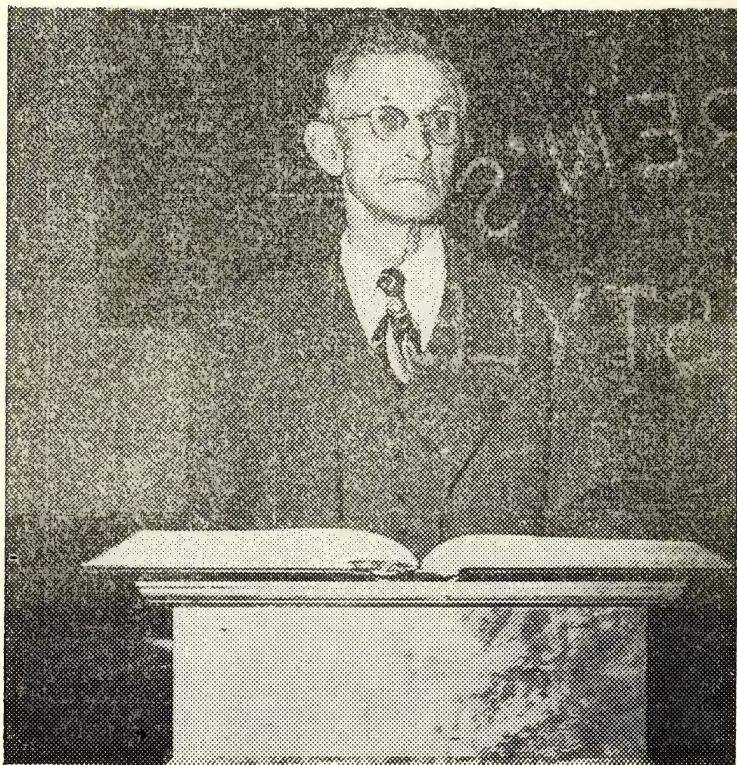
Mrs. Etta Hodges, Miss Emeline Norris, Mr. Will Norris.  
WILLOWDALE —

Mr. Calvin Hicks, Mrs. Nora Hicks.  
WILLOW VALLEY —

Mrs. Mary Shell.

ZIONVILLE —

Mr. Andrew J. May.



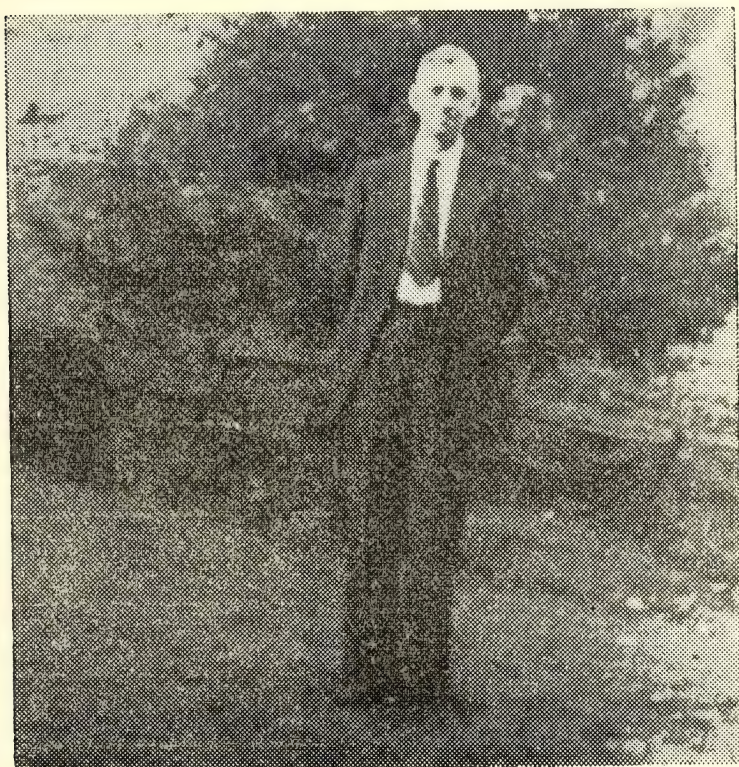
**ELDER TIPTON GREENE**

Elder Tipton Greene was born in Watauga county, N. C. Feb. 23, 1878. He died Oct. 10, 1952 at the age of 74 years. He was ordained in 1925 and during an active ministry he served 14 churches as pastor in Three Forks, Caldwell and Avery Baptist Associations.

He was intensely interested in evangelism and devoted much time and effort to this work. He possessed, in a strong degree, zeal and passion for carrying the Gospel to others.

He was thoroughly familiar with and a strong believer in the distinctive beliefs of the Baptist church. He was ever ready to counsel with the young convert or the young preacher.





**ELDER JOHN HAGAMAN**

In loving memory of our brother preacher, Elder John Hagan who was born December 20, 1902; died March 11, 1953; age 50 years, 3 months and 9 days.

He was ordained to the ministry June 9, 1946 and served as pastor of Doe Ridge, Watauga and Meadow View churches.

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPRING SESSION OF THE THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1. The Three Forks Baptist Association met in Spring Session with Willow Valley Baptist church, Sugar Grove, N. C. at 9:30 a. m. Thursday, May 14, 1953.
2. Rex West led the opening song service and R. C. Eggers, Moderator, called the Session to order.
3. Gene Sherwood conducted the devotional service.
4. Clyde R. Greene presented the program for the Session.
5. Rex West discussed the subject, "What the Sunday School Means to the church in Evangelism." J. C. Canipe continued the discussion.
6. E. O. Gore brought a message on, "What the Sunday School Means to the Church in Teaching and Training." Cecil Glenn also spoke on this subject.
7. Woodrow Greene spoke on the history of the Sunday School in the Three Forks Baptist Association. This discussion was continued by J. C. Canipe, Custer Ward and L. H. Hollingsworth.
8. The Clerk called the roll of the churches which revealed that twenty churches were represented.
9. The Moderator recognized the sixteen ministers present.
10. The Session recessed for noon, benediction by Victor Trivett.

### NOON RECESS

1. The Association reconvened at 1:00 o'clock after enjoying a bountiful lunch served on the church lawn.
12. After a song service led by Rex West, Howard Hodges conducted the devotional.
13. "Plans for Vacation Bible Schools" was discussed by Mrs. Blanche Perry, C. J. Farthing and Smith Hagaman.
14. C. O. Vance spoke on, "Plans for Sunday School Enlargement — A MILLION MORE IN '54."
15. The Session by motion duly passed expressed its appreciation to the Willow Valley church and community for the wonderful hospitality extended.
16. L. H. Hollingsworth delivered a sermon on the subject, "Teaching Them to Observe All Things."
17. The Spring Session adjourned, benediction by L. H. Hollingsworth.

### MINUTES OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Mrs. C. J. Farthing, superintendent, presided when the Fortieth Annual-Session of Woman's Missionary Union was held with Perkinsville church April 23, 1953, beginning at 3:00 o'clock.

The meeting began with the singing of "Come Women, Wide Proclaim."

Mrs. Woodrow Greene read Psalm 145, Johnny Glenn sang, "Serve The Lord With Gladness" and a season of prayer for missionaries on the calendar of prayer for the day for God's

blessings on the program of the afternoon was led by Mrs. Judd Barnes, Mrs. Elmer Carter and Rev. Rex West.

Mrs. Farthing recognized Miss Ruth Provence, State W. M. U. Executive secretary, Miss Frances Tolley, missionary from Japan, Mrs. Earl C. James, divisional superintendent and pastors, Rex West, Gene Sherwood, Cecil Glenn, E. D. Gore and C. D. Vance.

The roll was called at both the afternoon and night sessions and a final count showed present:

Blowing Rock 17; Boone 36; Cove Creek 23; Laurel Springs 6; Oak Grove 15; Perkinsville 18; Stony Fork 5; Willowdale 2; Popular Grove 9; Rutherwood 4; Three Forks 3; and visitors 6, making a total of 144 present. The offering was \$34.81.

There was a discussion of all phases of the work, which W. M. U. promotes by the chairman of the committees or some one appointed to do so as to how love could be poured out to all people through knowledge of missions, religious literature, community missions and gifts and thus enlist others in W. M. U. work.

Miss Ruth Provence challenged each one to pray and work yet more and to prepare for it by attending camps and institutes planned for helping all women.

The hymn, "O Zion, Haste" was sung and Mrs. Earl C. James spoke briefly.

Mrs. L. H. Hollingsworth brought the report of the obituary committee.

### IN MEMORIAM

During the past year our heavenly father has called home the following members of our WMU family:

Mrs. Belle McNeill, Rutherwood; Mrs. Floy Mast, Boone; Miss Patsy Ann Swift, Cove Creek Y. W. A. Our sincere sympathy is extended to friends and loved ones.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Maxie Edminsten,

Mrs. L. H. Hollingsworth.

Mrs. Blanche Perry reported that the next annual session would be held with Rutherwood church.

Mrs. Troy Greene read the report of the appreciation committee:

"I thank my Lord always on your behalf for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ. (Cor. 1:4)

In all things we must be thankful, first to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ for setting us an example to follow after him.

We would like to show our appreciation and gratitude to our State workers, our home and foreign missionaries who are away doing our Lord's work and our missionary, Miss Frances Talley, who is with us today, our associational workers, Mrs. C. J. Farthing and Mrs. Blanche Perry, for their encouraging work among our local churches, to the leaders who are working with our young people training them to be leaders of tomorrow and also to all who have so faithfully worked together to make this program a success.



We wouldn't forget to show our appreciation to Perkinsville church for the invitation to hold our annual meeting with them and for the delicious supper which they prepared.

To all these and others we may have forgotten, we send a hearty, "Thank you."

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Troy Greene,  
Mrs. E. P. Carter.

The report of the nominating committee was given by Mrs. Woodrow Greene.

Superintendent .....	Mrs. Blanche Perry
Associate Superintendent .....	Mrs. James L. Sherwood
Secretary and Treasurer .....	Mrs. Mabel Edwards
Mission Study Chairman .....	Mrs. Ruby Micheal
Stewardship Chairman .....	Mrs. Maxie Edminsten
Community Missions Chairman .....	Mrs. Ethel Hodges
Literature Chairman .....	Mrs. Alma Hodges
Margaret Fund and Training School Chm.	Mrs. Alfred Adams
Young People's Leader .....	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson
Y. M. A. Counselor .....	Mrs. Frances Green
R. A. Counselor .....	John Ward
G. A. Counselor .....	Mrs. Cecil Glenn
Sunbeam Counselor .....	Mrs. C. D. Vance
Nominating Committee for 1954 .....	Mrs. Lewis Hodge, Chm.
	Mrs. Howell Stansbery
	Mrs. Hayes Wellborn

Mrs. Blanche Perry gave the treasurer's report.

From May 3, 1952 - April 23, 1953.	
Balance in treasury May 3, 1952 .....	\$25.88
Received for W. M. U. Expense Fund .....	\$58.50
Total .....	\$84.38

Paid Out:	
Miss Hattie Gardner, Missionary .....	\$10.00
Mrs. C. J. Farthing, Assn. Expenses .....	\$15.00
Mrs. Kathleen B. Ward, Div. Expenses .....	\$14.00
Associational Mission Study Books .....	\$ 2.58
Total .....	\$41.58

Balance in treasury April 23, 1953 .....	\$42.80
Balance in Memorial fund .....	\$27.25
Received at annual meeting .....	\$13.68
Received from societies .....	\$ 8.00
Total .....	\$48.93

Paid Out:	
Howard Hodges, Fruitland Scholarship .....	\$45.00
Balance in Memorial Fund .....	\$ 3.93

Gene Sherwood spoke briefly on what fruitland Bible institute had meant to him and to all other preachers who had gave there.

All the reports were adopted as read:

Mrs. Earl C. James called all the newly elected officers to the front and led the dedicatory prayer.

Miss Allene Queen, with Mrs. Herman Eggers at the piano, brought special music.

Miss Francis Tolley brought a forceful message as the spoke on mission work in Japan and then brought the afternoon session to a close with prayer.

### NIGHT SESSION

Joyce Perry brought the congregation into a worshipful spirit with soft music.

After singing, "We've A Story To Tell," Oak Grove Young People led in the opening worship with scripture, song and prayer.

Mrs. R. D. Hodges, Jr., presented the work of the Margaret fund and W. M. U. Training School. Mention was made of the North Carolina sons and daughters who were beneficiaries of the Margaret Fund and also girls who enrolled in the W. M. Y. training school the name of which has been changed to Carver school of missions and social work.

Again, Miss Provence brought before the people the many opportunities we have for service in our own communities.

Mrs. Nora M. Wilson very forcefully presented young people's work through scripture, songs and slides with special emphasis on G. A. and R. A. Caups.

The Boone G. A. gave a pantomime of the G. A. Tymn, "We've a Story To Tell To The Nations."

After singing, "The Kingdom Is Coming," Miss Tolley told of the customs of Japan and brought so clearly the needs of Japan both spiritual and material.

Mrs. Meeting was closed with prayer by Rev. Cecil Glenn.

Mrs. C. J. Farthing, Supt.

Mrs. Blanche Perry, Sec.



# HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE THREE FORKS

## BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Place of meeting of each Session with names of Moderators, Clerk and Preacher

Year	Church	Moderator	Clerk	Preacher
1841	Three Forks of S. F.	Isaiah Wilcoxon	Richard Gentry	Brazilla McBride
1842	Beaver Creek	Isaiah Wilcoxon	Richard Gentry	Richard Gentry
1843	Roans Creek	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Brazilla McBride
1844	South Fork	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	R. P. Farthing
1845	Three Forks of N. F.	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Richard Gentry
1856	Bear Creek	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Joseph Harrison
1847	Ebenezer	Brazilla McBride	John Cook	Brazilla McBride
1848	Three Forks of S. F.	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Richard Gentry
1849	North Fork	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Brazilla McBride
1850	Gap Creek	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Joseph Harrison
1851	Pine Grive	Brazilla McBride	John Cook	Larkin Hodges
1852	Cove Creek	Brazilla McBride	John Cook	J. A. Farthing
1853	Horse Creek	Brazilla McBride	John Cook	Jesse Farmer
1854	Old Fields	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	A. C. Farthing
1855	Roans Creek	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	Larkin Hodges
1856	Antioch	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	J. A. Farthing
1857	Meat Camp	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	John Cook
1858	South Fork	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	Joseph Harrison
1859	Three Forks of N. F.	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	Wm. Wilcoxon
1860	Bethel	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	D. C. Harmon
1861	Three Forks of S. F.	J. A. Farthing	Rufus Moore	A. C. Farthing
1862	Gap Creek	J. A. Farthing	Rufus Moore	J. A. Farthing
1863	Ebenezer	J. A. Farthing	Rufus Moore	R. P. Farthing
1864	Cove Creek	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	

1865	Mulberry	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	S. J. Farthing
1866	Meat Camp	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	A. C. Farthing
1867	Brushy Fork	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	D. C. Harmon
1868	Globe	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	L. L. Maples
1869	Bethel	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	Jobe Moore
1870	Three Forks	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	D. C. Harmon
1871	Yadkin	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	R. P. Farthing
1872	Antioch	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	A. C. Farthing
1873	Meat Camp	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	T. F. Nelson
1874	Mulberry	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	A. C. Farthing
1875	Mount Zion	D. C. Harmon	L. L. Greene	D. C. Harmon
1876	Mount Pleasant	D. C. Harmon	L. L. Greene	J. M. Hall
1877	Globe	D. C. Harmon	L. L. Greene	J. A. Farthing
1878	Cove Creek	A. C. Farthing	Hirman McBride	W. D. Brown
1879	South Fork	A. C. Farthing	Hirman McBride	Asa Brown
1880	Pisgah	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	D. C. Harmon
1881	Brushy Fork	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	E. F. Jones
1882	Flat Top	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	D. C. Harmon
1883	Mulberry	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	A. C. Farthing
1884	Bethel	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	E. F. Jones
1885	Three Forks	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	J. J. L. Sherwood
1886	Laurel Springs	A. C. Farthing	J. J. T. Reese	J. W. Thomas
1887	Beaver Dam	A. C. Farthing	J. J. T. Reese	J. M. Harman
1888	Boone	A. C. Farthing	J. J. T. Reese	J. H. Farthing
1889	Mount Zion	A. C. Farthing	Jacob Younce	David Greene
1890	Three Forks	A. C. Farthing	Jacob Younce	Dr. C. E. Taylor
1891	Mount Gilead	A. C. Farthing	Jacob Younce	J. J. L. Sherwood
1892	Meat Camp	W. S. Farthing	Jacob Younce	J. F. Davis
1893	Antioch	W. S. Farthing	Jacob Younce	J. H. Farthing
1894	Gap Creek	J. F. Spainhour	Jacob Younce	Dr. C. Durham

1895	Cove Creek	W. S. Farthing	Jacob Younce	L. A. Wilson
1896	South Fork	W. S. Farthing	Jacob Younce	J. E. White
1897	Brushy Fork	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	J. H. Farthing
1898	Cool Springs	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	David Greene
1899	Beech Mountain	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	L. C. Willson
1900	Laurel Springs	J. A. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	L. C. Willson
1901	Bethel	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	J. M. Payne
1902	Flat Top	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	D. C. Harmon
1903	Zion Hill	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	Solomon Younce
1904	Elk Valley	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	J. F. Miller
1905	Pleasant Grove	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	C. S. Farthing
1906	Shulls Mills	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	David Greene
1907	Boone	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	C. S. Farthing
1908	Forest Grove	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	J. M. Payne
1909	Howards Creek	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	D. A. Greene
1910	Beaver Dam	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	J. M. Payne
1911	Mount Calvary	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	J. M. Payne
1912	South Fork	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	G. W. Trivett
1913	Cove Creek	J. J. L. Sherwood	Smith Hagaman	J. J. L. Sherwood
1914	Meat Camp	J. J. L. Sherwood	Smith Hagaman	J. F. Eller
1915	Zionville	J. J. L. Sherwood	Smith Hagaman	J. M. Payne
1916	Stony Fork	J. J. L. Sherwood	Smith Hagaman	L. A. Wilson
1917	Antioch	J. J. L. Sherwood	Smith Hagaman	J. F. Eller
1918	Bethel	Smith Hagaman	Smith Hagaman	L. C. Willson
1919	Union	Smith Hagaman	Smith Hagaman	Wellington Swift
1920	Gap Creek	Smith Hagaman	Smith Hagaman	R. C. Eggers
1921	Brushy Fork	Smith Hagaman	Smith Hagaman	R. C. Eggers
1922	Timbered Ridge	Smith Hagaman	Smith Hagaman	F. M. Huggins
1923	Laurel Springs	Smith Hagaman	Smith Hagaman	L. C. Willson
1924	Pleasant Grove	Smith Hagaman	Smith Hagaman	R. C. Eggers
1925	Three Forks	Smith Hagaman	Smith Hagaman	Roy Dotson
1926	South Fork	Smith Hagaman	Smith Hagaman	F. M. Huggins
				E. J. Farthing

1927	Zion Hill	Smith Hagaman	W. Y. Perry	Braxton Craig
1928	Middle Fork	I. G. Greer	W. Y. Perry	L. A. Hurt
1929	Shulls Mills	I. G. Greer	W. Y. Perry	P. A. Hicks
1930	Mount Lebanon	I. G. Greer	W. Y. Perry	A. J. Greene
1931	Meat Camp	I. G. Greer	W. Y. Perry	Roy Dotson
1932	Bethany	I. G. Greer	W. Y. Perry	J. A. McKaughat
1933	South Fork	W. D. Farthing	W. Y. Perry	W. D. Ashley
1934	Beaver Dam	W. D. Farthing	Dean Swift	A. J. Greene
1935	Brushy Fork	W. D. Farthing	Clyde R. Greene	W. R. Davis
1936	Zionville	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	J. C. Canipe
1937	Howards Creek	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	W. C. Payne
1938	Oak Grove	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	Philip Fletcher
1939	Cove Creek	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	D. M. Edmisten
1940	Three Forks	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	G. A. Hamby
1941	Pleasant Grove	S. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	J. C. Canipe
1942	Mount Calvary	S. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	H. K. Middleton
1943	Clark's Creek	S. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	Vilas Minton
1944	Bethel	S. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	
1945	Boone	J. C. Canipe	Clyde R. Greene	Ben Lee Ray
1946	Rutherfordwood	H. K. Middleton	Clyde R. Greene	Lawrence Hagaman
1947	Willowdale	H. K. Middleton	Clyde R. Greene	W. D. Ashley
1948	Laurel Springs	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	Oscar J. Harris
1949	Zionville and Forest Grove	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	Ronda Earp
1950	Perkinsville and Three Forks	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	Raymond Hendrix
1951	Beech Valley and Poplar Grove	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	A. C. Moody
1952	Mabel and Union	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	Harold Songer
1953	South Fork and Green Valley	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	Victor Trivett

TABLE A — CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location Rural V-T-C	Date Organized	Dates of Meetings	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters & Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc	Grand Total	Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	State Paper in Budget	Are Members Asked to Pledge to Church Budget	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor or not)
Antioch	R	1849	1	R. C. Cook, Lenoir	4		2	187	1	1		No	No	436
Beaver Dam	R	1874	4	G. B. Trivett, Stoney Fork	8		13	229	1	1		No	No	542
Beech Valley	R	1941	2 4	E. J. Farthing, Sugar Grove			2	85	2	2		No	No	232
Bethany	R	1893	2 4	E. O. Gore, Vilas			2	138	2	2		No	No	342
Bethel	R	1851	2 4	J. H. Crisp, Lenoir	7			236	1	1		No	No	1,200
Blowing Rock	T	1903	All	Carlton Cox, Blowing Rock	5	19	14	202	1	30		No	No	3,500
Boone	C	1870	All	L. H. Hollingsworth, Boone	14	70	70	963	2	112		Yes	Yes	5,200
Brushy Fork	R	1858	All	Victor Trivett, Vilas	11	1	3	201	2	34		No	No	1,400
Clark's Creek	R	1898	1 3	Ira Hodges, Banner Elk	10	1	7	100	2	2		No	No	360
Cool Springs	R	1888	1 3	Raymond Hendrix, Boone	2	5	5	134				No	No	209
Cove Creek	V	1799	All	Harold Songer, Sherwood	12	8	7	261	2	2		No	No	2,600
Elk Knob	R	1890	1	Noah Johnson, Todd	3	4		93				No	No	150
Forest Grove	R	1889	2 4	Carl Wilson, Reese	5		6	160	2	2		No	No	420
Friendship	R	1948	2 3	L. H. Hagaman, Beech Creek			1	78	1	1		No	No	311
Gap Creek	R	1887	4	Rex West, Zionville	15	12	8	159	2	2		No	No	362





TABLE B — THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Extension Department	Officers Not Counted	Mission Sunday	Grand Total Sunday	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible	School Enrollment	Average
Antioch	M. L. Shepherd, Jr., Sugar Grove			10	7	8	8	15	30				78				
Beaver Dam	Dallas Wilson, Reese			15	21	14	15	41	47		2		155	115			
Beech Valley	Paul Edmisten, Beech Creek			6	10	17	16	16	28				93	65	30		25
Bethany	Marshall Farthing, Rominger		5	5	9	12	15	10	14		2		72	57	39		29
Bethel	Edmund Farthing, Sugar Grove	11	8	13	16	19	18	23	45	13	10		176	108	53		45
Blowing Rock	Eugene Koone, Blowing Rock	5	10	17	16	22	9	15	32		5		131	65	80		62
Boone	Wade E. Brown, Boone	48	57	48	66	63	68	236	249	23	6	84	948	349	229		189
Brushy Fork	Coy Love, Vilas		3	13	10	15	17	24	91				173	93	30		22
Clark's Creek	W. C. Smith, Rominger			12	14	15	12	16	35				92	69			
Cool Springs	W. W. Austin, Boone			10	14	15	18	30	30				76	60			
Cove Creek	James L. Sherwood, Vilas	16	4	16	27	26	22	16	101	11			239	119	106		99
Elk Knob	J. M. South, Tamarack			13	14	14	11	35	22				60	40	83		60
Forest Grove	J. G. Johnson, Reese			6	6	12	19	20	40				118	59	40		33
Friendship	Russell Garland, Trade, Tenn.				8	10	10	20	24				62	40	39		
Gap Creek	Edmond Cheek, Boone	1	4	7	12	16	16	14	30				100	74	52		40

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Green Valley	Jack Farthing, Reese	7	6	7	15	5	18			58	40					
Howards Creek	D. W. Cook, Boone	6	6	5	6	15	13			51	35					
Laura Springs	Joe Coffey, Jr., Deep Gap	40	13	23	37	47	68			228	131					
Mabel	Lewis Burkett, Mabel	7		11	16	30	30	1		65	50					
Meat Camp	C. P. Calloway, Boone	9	7	9	14	35	22	11		124	83					
Middle Fork	Mrs. Susan Triplett, Blowing R.		6	5	10	12	19	26		78	52					
Mountain Dale	Clyde Cornett, Reese	10	11	10	16	11	17	4		79	60					
Mount Calvary	Wm. Puckett, Banner Elk	6	6	12	12	5	25	10		75	50					
Mount Gilead	Ted Reese, Elk Park	10		6	6		19	1		42	36					
Mount Lebanon	Paul Hayes, Vilas	13	8	17	15	15	39			107						
Oak Grove	Ralph L. Beshears, Boone	25	15	13	12	22	14	2	20	243	119					
Perkinsville	Boyd Cook, Boone	12		20	22	30	32	4		226	144					
Pleasant Grove	Clint Eggers, Zionville	30	35	29	40	45	56	2		329	189					
Poplar Grove	Mrs. Edna Holloway, Boone	14	12	23	17	16	35			117	95					
Proffit Grove	Lloyd Bryan, Zionville	5	25	15	25	25	45			165	55					
Rich Mountain	James McNeill, Zionville	12	8	9	9	9	18	2		58	40					
Rutherford	Howard Parlier, Deep Gap	12	25	28	27	30	42			164	63					
Shulls Mills	C. M. Shore, Shulls Mills	10	10	18	12	15	15			55	31					
South Fork	E. R. Mikeal, Todd	4	5	8	12	10	45	7		105	67					
Stony Fork	Harlen Greene, Deep Gap	13	8	18	16	27	16	15		199	125					
Tabernacle	Herman Moretz, Boone	12	12	6	12	30	20			60	40					
Three Forks	James Austin, Boone	15	21	23	20	24	23	12		195	117					
Timbered Ridge	Spencer May, Reese	6	11	11	17	8	9			62	56					
Union	Frank Main, Mabel	8	15	12	17	18	60	1		129	100					
Vanderpool	Ted Eller, Vilas									65						
White Rock	Mrs. Dade Smith, Banner Elk	20	10	10	12	13	35			100	68					
Willowdale	Fred Edmisten, Sugar Grove	16	8	23	30	30	66			143	65					
Willow Valley	Spencer Cable, Sugar Grove	11	16	16	19	19	49			104	58					
Zion Hill		5	15	10	20	20	45	8		58	45					
Zionville	James R. Martin, Zionville	10	8	11	13	26	60			163	106					
Total		140	209	546	517	692	730	1083	1941	75	105	104	6155	3443	1661	1327



TABLE D — WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S.		AND ADDRESSES		W. M. S. Units	Y. W. A. Units	G. A. Units	R. A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W. M. S. Enrolled	Y. W. A. Enrolled	G. A. Enrolled	R. A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled	En. In Mission Study	Total Titlers
	W. M. S. Units	Y. W. A. Units																
Blowing Rock	2	1	Mrs. Kenneth Forbes, Blowing Rock		1	1	1	1	1	5	29	10	7	6	52	38	17	
Boone	1	1	Mrs. Russell D. Hodges, Boone		1	1	1	1	1	5	88	27	16	12	143	62	55	
Cove Creek	1	1	Mrs. James L. Sherwood, Vilas		1	1	1	1	1	6	28	5	21	12	88	56	26	
Laurel Springs	1	1	Mrs. Howell Stanberry, Boone, Rt. No. 1		1	1	1	1	1	1	23	1	23	23	23	10	2	
Mount Calvary	1	1	Mrs. Claude Gilliams, Banner Elk		1	1	1	1	1	1	8	1	8	8	8	2	15	
Oak Grove	1	1	Mrs. Mabel H. Berry, Boone		1	1	1	1	1	4	25	11	7	8	51	12	15	
Perkinsville	1	1	Mrs. Homer Lane, Boone, Rt. No. 2		1	1	1	1	1	4	22	10	10	15	57	7	7	
Poplar Grove	1	1	Mrs. Edna Holloway, Boone, Rt. No. 3		1	1	1	1	1	4	12	8	4	10	34	20	2	
Rutherford	1	1	Mrs. Earl Bodenheimer, Boone, Rt. No. 1		1	1	1	1	1	1	20	1	20	20	20	6	6	
Stony Fork	1	1	Mrs. B. F. Wellborn, Deep Gap		1	1	1	1	1	1	11	1	11	11	13	6	6	
Three Forks	1	1	Mrs. Troy Greene, Boone, Rt. No. 1		1	1	1	1	1	1	13	1	13	13	13	10	10	
Willowdale	1	1	Mrs. Lucille Elliott, Vilas		1	1	1	1	1	1	20	5	87	56	73	520	204	146
Total	13	1			63	34	299	8	6	634	299	518	73	520	204	146		



TABLE E — BROTHERHOOD WORK

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF MEN'S BROTHERHOODS AND ADDRESSES	En. of Brotherhood	Meetings Held During Year	Value Pastor's Home	Value of Church Property Including Pastor's Home	Total Church Debt At End Of Year	Goal Cooperative Pro- gram Coming Year	Goal Association Mis- sions Coming Year	Does Your Church Have A Library?	Number Church Choirs
Antioch	.....	.....	.....	.....	500	.....	.....	.....	No	.....
Beaver Dam	.....	.....	.....	.....	8,000	.....	.....	.....	No	.....
*Beech Valley	.....	.....	.....	.....	8,000	.....	.....	.....	Yes	1
*Bethany	.....	.....	.....	.....	15,000	.....	.....	.....	No	1
Bethel	.....	.....	.....	.....	11,000	.....	.....	.....	No	.....
*Blowing Rock	.....	.....	.....	.....	35,000	1,500	5100	300	Yes	4
Boone	.....	85	12	12,000	82,500	.....	.....	.....	No	1
*Brushy Fork	.....	.....	.....	7,500	20,000	.....	.....	.....	No	1
Clark's Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,000	.....	.....	.....	No	.....
*Cool Springs	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,000	.....	.....	.....	No	1
*Cove Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	16,000	.....	.....	.....	Yes	1
Elk Knob	.....	31	14	6,000	1,500	.....	.....	.....	No	.....
*Forest Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	10,000	.....	.....	.....	Yes	1
*Friendship	.....	.....	.....	.....	16,000	.....	.....	.....	No	1
*Gap Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	16,000	.....	.....	.....	No	1
Green Valley	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,000	.....	.....	.....	No	.....

Howards Creek											No
*Laurel Springs											Yes
Mabel											Yes
*Meat Camp								300			36
*Middle Fork									100		No
Mountain Dale											No
Mount Calvary											Yes
Mount Gilead					6,000						No
*Mount Lebanon											Yes
*Oak Grove											No
*Perkinsville									7,325		No
*Pleasant Grove									3,380		No
*Poplar Grove									400		No
Proffit Grove											Yes
Rich Mountain											No
*Rutherford											No
Shulls Mills											No
South Fork											No
*Stony Fork											No
*Tabernacle											No
*Three Forks											No
*Timbered Ridge											No
*Union											No
Vanderpool											No
White Rock											No
*Willowdale											No
Willow Valley									700		Yes
Zion Hill											No
*Zionville											No
Total					162,507	74,100	627,100	13,405	5812	492	32

\* Volunteer Choir Director. Boone has Part-time Choir Director with Salary of \$1,200.00.

TABLE F — CHURCH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	All Receipts Through All Organizations for Year	Total Salaries (Do Not Include Pastor's Salary Here)	Maintenance, Insurance	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Songs Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary (Money Paid)	Grand Total Local Expense
Antioch .....	851.45	19.77	88.13	45.19	125.00	95.00	373.69	436.00	809.69		
Beaver Dam .....	1,180.83	13.10	112.52	195.33	55.21	70.00	446.11	542.45	938.61		
Beech Valley .....	610.28	23.83	94.08	18.68		13.61	364.32	231.96	596.28		
Bethany .....	1,090.46	11.05	39.56	10.00	48.66	18.06	471.20	342.26	813.46		
Bethel .....	3,130.16	33.43	144.23	525.33	168.89	295.01	1,346.89	1,200.00	2,546.89		
Blowing Rock .....	5,480.10	2,241.36	280.20	143.38	142.77	755.21	3,779.47	3,500.00	7,279.47		
Boone .....	31,193.65	1,175.10	2,317.40	1,982.76	269.00	2,964.02	12,156.92	4,700.00	16,856.92		
Brushy Fork .....	3,556.08	82.50	359.49	31.10	224.73	426.25	1,908.34	1,400.00	3,308.34		
Clark's Creek .....	786.73	26.96	45.91	68.16	176.82	22.28	395.23	350.15	745.38		
Cool Springs .....	732.38		35.68	54.47	62.55	48.88	326.83	208.53	535.36		
Cove Creek .....	7,492.07	521.26	563.19	642.20		123.25	987.88	3,857.17	2,600.00	6,457.17	
Elk Knob .....	235.40			44.55			30.85	75.40	150.00	225.40	
Forest Grove .....	954.89	17.30	84.62	89.90	79.42	198.18	504.72	420.35	925.07		
Friendship .....	1,079.85	58.00	41.65	56.26	105.33	42.20	681.26	310.59	991.85		
Gap Creek .....	3,998.29	40.00	198.50	30.50	94.04	60.00	3,241.04	362.43	3,603.47		
Green Valley .....	409.67		66.50		98.92	44.53	209.95	187.97	397.92		
Howards Creek .....	650.02		72.97	20.00	40.00	88.00	220.97	212.96	433.93		
Laurel Springs .....	3,072.94	504.51	166.02	121.92	165.00	191.50	1,372.13	1,195.35	2,567.48		
Mabel .....	945.44	65.00	61.01	60.25	70.00	149.06	405.32	464.68	870.00		
Meat Camp .....	1,635.08	388.44	94.79	64.46	182.26	99.69	829.64	555.00	1,384.64		
Middle Fork .....	1,821.51	398.43	66.15	18.25	122.04	7.50	1,159.37	589.67	1,749.04		
Mountain Dale .....	602.70	201.44	49.60		39.02		302.06	261.72	563.78		
Mount Calvary .....	2,807.45	226.19	130.63	157.50	100.00		614.32	1,425.00	2,037.32		
Mount Gillead .....	338.25	46.80	67.15	5.20	65.43		84.21	191.02	275.23		
Mount Lebanon .....	1,247.00	107.90	322.69	1,947.97	776.80		335.72	423.09	758.09		
Oak Grove .....	8,359.80	175.00	67.15	173.05			114.80	4,697.66	2,600.00	7,297.66	

Profit Grove	2,379.43	61.00	70.08	1,112.36	52.39	267.92	188.45	17.43	169.55	431.85	2,201.40
Rich Mountain	550.45	184.40	12.65	50.00	107.83	30.00	87.50	14.00	210.65	302.00	512.65
Rutherford	2,172.78	60.00	97.68	294.37	16.80	186.37	66.42	27.60	954.67	903.04	1,857.71
Shulls Mills	421.12	227.04	103.89	30.56	37.62	56.57	84.00	139.40	169.96	246.03	415.99
South Fork	1,722.02	300.00	19.96	110.13	151.65	30.38	317.18	501.43	1,227.68	535.73	1,095.01
Stony Fork	2,681.67	227.04	843.34	34.66	37.62	27.45	27.45	12.84	94.91	423.84	518.75
Tabernacle	843.34	227.04	19.96	110.13	151.65	30.38	317.18	501.43	1,227.68	535.73	1,095.01
Three Forks	4,171.86	300.00	104.33	110.13	299.82	207.12	326.38	84.62	1,432.40	1,560.00	2,992.40
Timbered Ridge	403.48	871.06	185.11	20.20	90.46	39.03	134.52	143.44	260.04	403.48	784.00
Union	871.06	871.06	185.11	20.20	90.46	39.03	134.52	143.44	260.04	403.48	784.00
Vanderpool	871.06	871.06	185.11	20.20	90.46	39.03	134.52	143.44	260.04	403.48	784.00
White Rock	1,691.76	102.00	56.89	349.78	54.23	109.48	176.70	26.08	773.16	437.43	1,210.59
Willowdale	2,139.33	60.00	33.40	104.28	149.31	160.58	160.00	128.42	688.68	1,200.00	1,838.68
Willow Valley	852.22	60.00	800.60	45.00	45.00	43.00	43.00	144.72	354.03	285.00	639.03
Zion Hill	1,870.03	2,047.53	244.32	91.79	193.63	118.10	118.10	182.00	1,370.60	440.50	1,811.10
Zionville	2,047.53	2,047.53	244.32	91.79	193.63	118.10	118.10	544.85	1,192.69	787.32	1,980.01
Total	122,361.14	5,291.62	8,282.45	9,799.80	7,383.93	6,515.41	5,271.29	10,820.74	59,107.84	37,808.44	98,541.61

### CHURCHES, TREASURES AND ADDRESSES

Antioch — M. L. Shepherd, Sugar Grove; Beaver Dam — Ray Swift, Reese; Beech Valley, Sam L. Ward, Beech Creek; Bethany — Victor Farthing, Rominger; Bethel — David Farthing, Sugar Grove; Blowing Rock — Mrs. J. D. Jones, Blowing Rock; Boone — James M. Rush, Boone; Brushy Fork, Chas. Moody, Vilas; Clark's Creek — Mrs. Basil Tester, Banner Elk; Cool Springs — Mrs. Ruth Mitchell, Blowing Rock; Cove Creek — Oka Henson, Sherwood; Elk Knob — Lovill South, Tamarack; Forest Grove — Mrs. Minnie Johnson, Reese; Friendship — Mrs. C. C. Main, Trade, Tenn.; G. P. Creek — Mrs. G. O. Triplett, Deep Gap; Green Valley — Albert Ward, Reese; Howards Creek — G. G. Brown, Boone; Laurel Springs — Clifford Green, Deep Gap; Mabel — Mrs. Clyde Wilson, Mabel; Meat Camp — Ronda Carroll, Boone; Middle Fork — Nail Ashley, Blowing Rock; Mountain Dale — Collis Grene, Reese; Mount Calvary — J. M. Shoemaker, Banner Elk; Mount Gilead — H. G. Greenwell, Elk Park; Mount Lebanon — Ivy Moore, Vilas; Oak Grove — Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Boone; Perkinsville — H. G. Greene, Boone; Pleasant Grove — Everette Culler, Zionville; Poplar Grove — T. M. Shore, Boone; Profit Grove — Arlie Bryan, Boone; Rich Mountain — Stacy Tester, Zionville; Rutherford — Roy Greer, Boone; Shulls Mills — Mrs. J. E. Harbin, Shulls Mills; South Fork — W. G. Cook, Todd; Stony Fork — Glenn Wellborn, Stony Fork; Tabernacle — Coy Norris, Boone; Three Forks — James Austin, Boone; Timbered Ridge — Lloyd Dishman, Reese; Union — Stanley Norris, Mabel; Vanderpool — White Rock — Mrs. Ruth Shook, Banner Elk; Willowdale — Fred Blair, Vilas; Willow Valley — Vonnie Greene, Sugar Grove; Zion Hill — Graydon Hagaman, Beech Creek; Zionville — Edward Wilson, Zionville.

Payment on Church Debt — Blowing Rock, \$100.00; Clark's Creek, \$60.00; Cove Creek, \$674.39; Middle Fork, \$450.00; Oak Grove, \$1,185.00; Perkinsville, \$1,920.00; Pleasant Grove, \$1,510.25; South Fork, \$193.18; Zion Hill, \$300.00; Total, \$6,392.82.



TABLE G — GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, EDUCATION, ORPHANAGES, ETC.

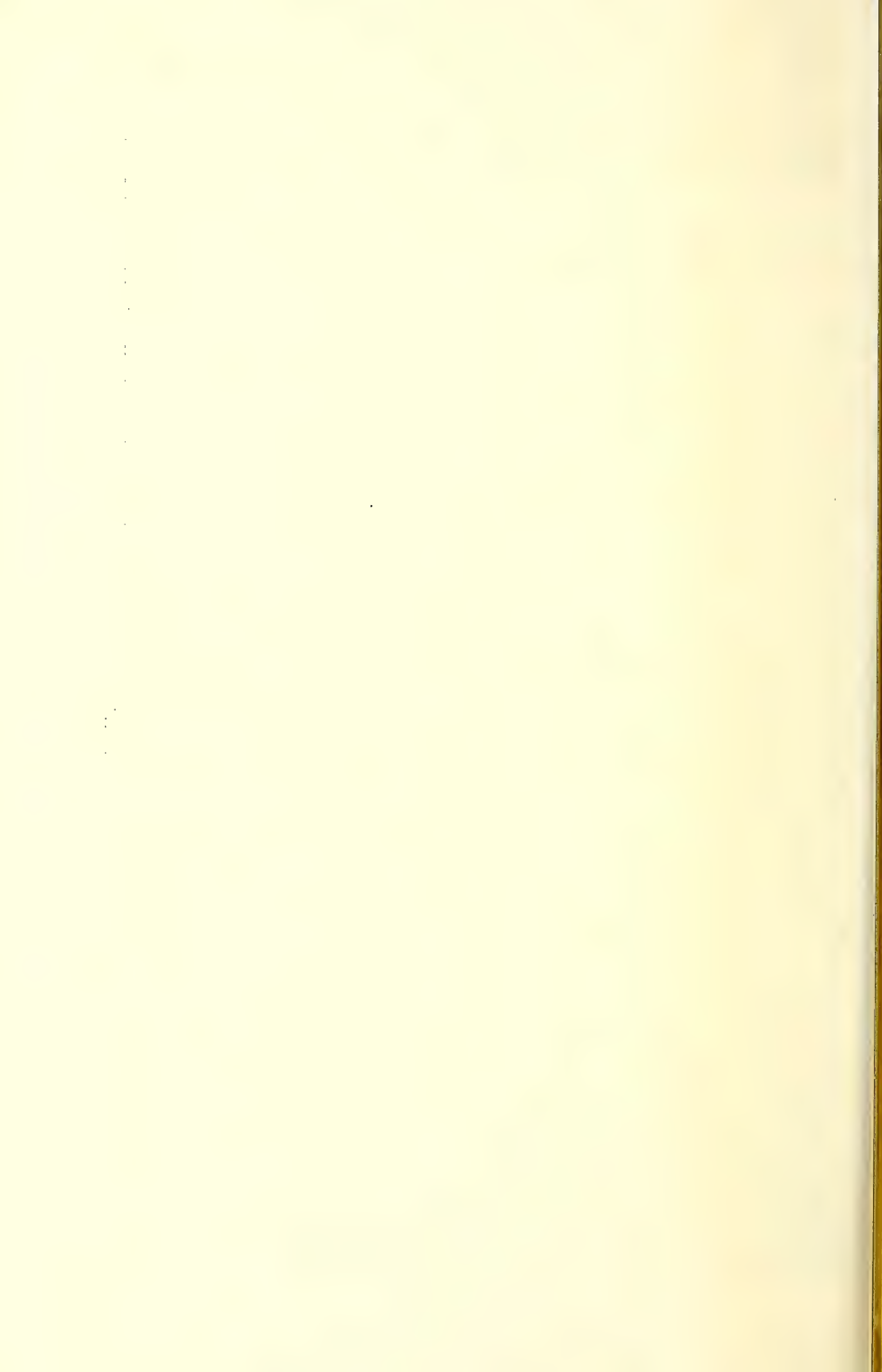
CHURCHES	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Relief and Annuity, Relief, etc.	Total Expenditure For Missions	Grand Total for All Purposes
Antioch					30.00		34.56	7.20		41.76	851.45
Beaver Dam							138.67	23.55		192.22	1,180.83
Beech Valley							3.65	7.35		14.00	610.28
Bethany			6.52	1.75	3.65	7.75	147.25	13.70	6.38	187.00	1,000.46
Bethel	4.34	25.31			60.00	10.00	151.85	47.00	21.82	320.32	2,867.21
Blowing Rock	315.85	60.00	72.70	95.79	114.62	45.00	34.00	64.18		802.14	8,081.61
Boone	4,123.80	1,041.00	42.97	73.05	1,025.00	1,263.90	557.56	456.00	142.73	8,726.01	25,582.93
Brushy Fork	72.57	5.05			66.71		67.64	35.77		247.74	3,556.08
Clark's Creek	30.00						44.00	12.75	10.80	97.55	842.93
Cool Springs					77.00	63.31	133.71		16.00	197.02	732.38
Cove Creek	361.85	182.50	188.85			137.05		68.58		1,031.83	7,489.00
Elk Knob											225.40
Forest Grove	5.82						5.82	11.18		22.82	947.89
Friendship							78.00	10.00		88.00	1,079.85
Gap Creek	6.81		73.40				64.70	10.00		154.91	3,758.38
Green Valley							2.50	9.25		11.75	409.67
Howards Creek				4.35	9.15	35.26	48.08	19.25	100.00	216.09	650.02
Laurel Springs	30.00		32.00	30.00	43.00		150.00	24.16		309.16	2,876.66
Mabel	20.00						30.94			50.94	920.94
Meat Camp		36.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	145.00	52.30	28.00	301.30	1,685.94
Middle Fork							25.55			25.55	1,774.59
Mountain Dale							26.32	12.60		38.92	602.70
Mount Calvary	46.34		12.92	32.44	54.40		113.80	13.50	71.75	345.15	2,376.47
Mount Gilead							14.22	48.30		63.02	338.23
Mount Lebanon							152.78			152.78	909.87
Oak Grove	89.23	220.00	153.38	45.53	90.50	217.50	100.00	111.00	35.00	1,062.14	8,359.80
Perkinsville	213.13	72.00	104.00	63.63	110.63	58.00	140.00	73.00	215.60	1,054.99	8,670.84



Pleasant Grove	14.74	18.00	24.00	15.75	28.25	100.00	118.00	24.42	175.16	3,977.36
Poplar Grove	68.40	25.00					158.05	22.06	444.91	1,981.10
Rich Mountain							11.65		37.80	550.45
Proffit Grove		20.00				21.00	60.00	15.43	116.43	2,317.83
Rutherfordwood			2.42		53.85		193.22	21.83	271.32	2,129.53
Shulls Mills				5.13					5.13	421.12
South Fork	13.66	8.05					44.00	15.00	80.71	1,175.72
Stony Fork	173.25	12.00		7.66		7.50	202.26	25.25	523.55	2,681.67
Tabernacle						11.51	5.00	139.65	156.16	674.91
Three Forks							144.00	75.77	237.37	3,229.77
Timbered Ridge	17.60									403.48
Union							60.00	27.06	87.06	871.06
Vanderpool										
White Rock	16.00		25.00	13.00	10.00		61.00	30.00	155.00	1,365.59
Willowdale	66.00						121.00		187.00	2,975.68
Willow Valley							44.00	19.00	772.24	
Zion Hill				20.21	50.00		59.73		59.73	1,870.83
Zionville			15.12		25.00		475.29	11.44	526.85	2,506.86
Total	5,689.39	1,724.91	763.28	418.29	1,861.76	1,987.78	4,167.80	1,422.88	912.91	18,952.50

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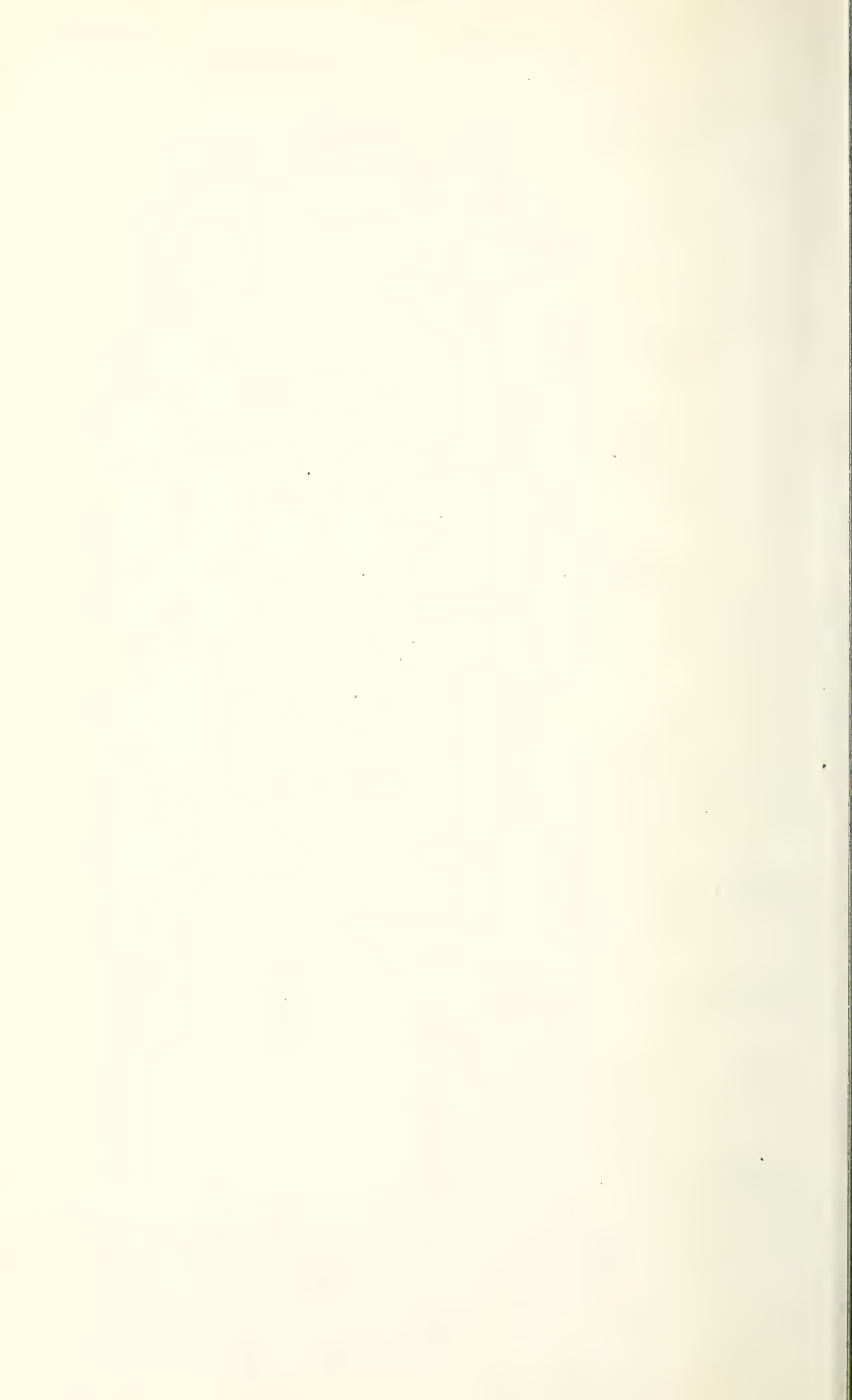
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Henry Austin	-----	Boone

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Associational Progress	-----	Clyde R. Greene and Mrs. Blanche Perry
Benevolences	-----	Gene Sherwood and L. H. Hagaman
Christian Education	-----	G. Carlton Cox and Kent K. Brown

Memorial Service	Mrs. C. J. Farthing and Mrs. Ray Lawrence
Missions	C. O. Vance and Victor Trivette
Public Morals	Rex West and C. P. Calloway
Religious Literature	Homer Greene and Maurice Cooper
Resolutions	Wade E. Brown and James Sherwood
W. M. U.	Mrs. Alfred Adams and Mrs. A. E. Moretz

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Director	Ralph L. Beshears, Boone
Associate Director	James Sherwood, Vilas
Secretary-Treasurer	John Ward
Choirster	Dallas Cheek, Boone
Pianist	Kathleen Ward, Boone
Pastor Advisor	Rev. K. Maurice Cooper
Adult Leader	Dr. C. Ray Lawrence
Young Peoples Leader	John Walsler, Blowing Rock
Intermediate Leader	Mrs. Nora Wilson, Zionville
Junior Leader	Mrs. Ruby Mikeal, Boone
Story Hour Leader	Mrs. T. K. Pease

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Supt. V. B. S.	K. Maurice Cooper and Mrs. Maxie Edmisten, Vilas
Supt. Training	Boyd Cook and Mrs. Ruby Michael, Boone
Supt. Evangelism	C. O. Vance, Boone
Supt. Enlargement	Rex West, Boone
Supt. of Groups	Joe L. Coffey, Jr., Deep Gap Ted Eller, Vilas Clint Eggers, Zionville
Supt. of Cradle Roll	Mrs. Gladys Greene, Zionville
Supt. of Beginners	Mrs. Edd Brookshire, Boone
Supt. of Primaries	Mrs. James Sherwood, Vilas
Supt. of Juniors	Mrs. Boyd Cook, Boone
Supt. of Intermediates	Mrs. Dorothy Greene, Sugar Grove
Supt. of Young People	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Boone
Supt. of Adults	James Sherwood, Vilas
Supt. of Extension Dept.	Mrs. Nora Wilson, Zionville
Sec. and Treas.	Miss Myrtle Young, Blowing Rock
Pianist	Miss Joyce Perry, Sherwood

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Secretary-Treasurer	Alma Hodges, Boone
Mission Study Chairman	Mrs. Roby Greer, Boone
Stewardship Chairman	Mrs. Maxie Edmisten, Vilas

Community Missions Chairman -----	Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone
Literature Chairman -----	Mrs. Addie Clawson, Boone
Margaret Fund and Carver School Chairman	Mrs. Alfred Adams, Boone
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R. A. Counselor -----	John Ward, Boone
G. A. Counselor -----	Mrs. Max Austin, Boone
Sunbeam Counselor -----	Mrs. Mary Wellborn, Deep Gap
Nominating Committee Chairman for 1955 -	Mrs. Clara Brown, B. Rock

### ORDAINED MINISTERS

Ordained Minister	Address	Church
Carl Wilson	Reese	Beaver Dam
E. J. Farthing	Sugar Grove	Bethel
J. H. Crisp	Lenoir	
J. M. Hodges	Blowing Rock	Blowing Rock
G. Carlton Cox	Blowing Rock	
L. H. Hollingsworth	Boone	Boone
D. M. Edmisten	Boone	
W. F. Smith	Boone	
John Davis	Boone	
Victor Trivette	Vilas	Brushy Fork
Grady Minton	Vilas	
Ronda Earp	Vilas	
W. C. Payne	Blowing Rock	Cool Springs
Howard Shore	Hudson	
Albert Tester	Asheville	
James C. Sherwood	Germany	Cove Creek
Harold Songer	Louisville, Ky.	
Fred Hagaman	Vilas	Forest Grove
Dave Greene	Vilas	
Glenn South	Trade, Tenn.	Friendship
W. C. Greene	Deep Gap	Laurel Springs
Levi Greene	Deep Gap	
A. E. Moretz	Boone	Meat Camp
R. H. Shore	Blowing Rock	Middle Fork
James Matney	Cordell, Okla.	
Clyde Cornett (ordained during past year)	Reese	Mountain Dale
Glenn Gentry	Elk Park	Mount Calvary
Roby Painter	Banner Elk	
T. T. Danner	Valle Crucis	Mount Lebanon
C. O. Vance	Boone	Oak Grove
N. M. Greene	Boone	Perkinsville

Robert Proffit	Zionville	Proffits Grove
A. B. Church	Boone	Rutherwood
Bynum Trivette	Stony Fork	Stony Fork
H. H. Smith	Deep Gap	
Homer Greene	Deep Gap	Three Forks
Raymond Hendrix	Boone	
Arrant Greer	Trade, Tenn.	Union
Barney Oliver	Trade, Tenn.	
Gene Sherwood	Vilas	Vanderpool
William H. Smith	Banner Elk	White Rock
Robert Allen	Rominger	
E. O. Gore	Zionville	Willow Dale
K. Maurice Cooper	Vilas	
Oscar Ward	Sugar Grove	Willow Valley
L. H. Hagaman	Reese	Zion Hill
R. C. Eggers	Zionville	Zionville
Dewey Trivette	Zionville	

#### LICENTIATES

Earl Colvard	Vilas	Brushy Fork
Basil Tester	Banner Elk	Clark's Creek
Robert Greene	Banner Elk	
Edward Peterson	Whitnel	Cool Springs
A. C. Ward	Reese	Greene Valley
Howard Hodges	Boone	
Howard Barnes	Boone	Oak Grove
John Ward	Sugar Grove	Timbered Ridge
Lawrence Greene	Banner Elk	White Rock
Paul Arnett	Banner Elk	

#### MESSENGERS TO THE ASSOCIATION

- ANTIOCH — W. B. Tester, Howard Cable, Edd Harmon.  
 BEAVER DAM — Wilby Greene, Lee Swift, Raleigh Wilson.  
 BEECH VALLEY — Sam L. Ward, Spencer Phillips, Paul Edmisten.  
 BETHANY — Victor Farthing, Cecil Farthing, Marshal P. Ward.  
 BETHEL — Bert Farthing, Vann Farthing, Howard Lawrence.  
 BLOWING ROCK — John Walser, Kent K. Brown, Mrs. Alma Robbins.  
 BOONE — George P. Hagaman, S. C. Eggers, Clyde R. Greene.  
 BRUSHY FORK — Coy Love, Dallas Hartley, Lee Anderson.  
 CLARK'S CREEK — Iva Reese, Harston Coffey, Robert Greene.  
 COOL SPRINGS — Dewey Mitchell, Ronda Hartley, W. W. Austin.  
 COVE CREEK — Mrs. Nora Wilson, Miss Maude Perry, James Sherwood.  
 ELK KNOB — Lloyd Miller, Lovill South, Earl Ellison.



- FOREST GROVE — George Roark, Mack Johnson, W. R. Johnson.  
FRIENDSHIP — J. D. Wilson, Will Wallace, Don Bumgardner.  
GAP CREEK — Russell Wellborn, A. G. Miller, Thomas Fairchilds.  
GREENE VALLEY — Albert Ward, Warren Ward, Jack Farthing.  
HOWARD'S CREEK — Guy H. Norris, D. W. Cook, Howard Miller.  
LAUREL SPRINGS — D. L. Stanbery, Joe L. Coffey, Sr., James Hardin.  
MABEL — Ed S. Williams, Jim Burkett, Howard Younce.  
MEAT CAMP — Mrs. Howard Gragg, Mrs. A. E. Moretz, Mrs. Wade Clawson.  
MIDDLE FORK — L. P. Hodges, Perry Ashley, Rodney Triplett.  
MOUNTAIN DALE — Clay Phillips, Robert Harmon, Lanie Henson.  
MOUNT CALVARY — R. E. Smith, Henry McGuire, Edward Chappell.  
MOUNT GILEAD — Ted Resse, H. S. Greenwell, Luther Bunton.  
MOUNT LEBANON — Horace Walls, Roy Hodges, J. B. Hodges.  
OAK GROVE — J. W. Norris, Barber Bill Hodges, Mrs. Vance Calloway.  
PERKINSVILLE — Ralph Hartley, Mrs. Ralph Hartley, Henry Austin.  
PLEASANT GROVE — Harley Perry, Clint Eggers, Mrs. Ruby Perry.  
POPLAR GROVE — Max Austin, Warren Dotson, T. C. Hodges.  
PROFFITS GROVE — Frank Winebarger, Willie Proffit, Lloyd Bryan.  
RICH MOUNTAIN — James McNeil, Estel Culler, Luther Moretz.  
RUTHERWOOD — Walter C. Carroll, George Gragg, Mrs. Bern Cook.  
SHULL'S MILLS — Mrs. Fred Hatley, Mrs. J. E. Harbin, J. B. Reed.  
SOUTH FORK — W. F. Norris, George Miller, Page Norris.  
STONY FORK — W. L. Greene, Judson Greene, Joe J. Wellborn.  
TABERNACLE — Lloyd Stanbery, Glenn Stanbery, Kennie Brown.  
THREE FORKS — Mrs. Troy Greene, Mrs. Roby Greer, Mrs. Ruby S. Michael.  
TIMBERED RIDGE — Lloyd Dishman, Charlie McGuire, Spencer May.  
UNION — Otto Thomas, Oley Eggers, Marvin Norris.  
VANDERPOOL — Will Sheffield, Frank Brown, Jay Isaacs.  
WHITE ROCK — J. D. Rupard, Hade Smith, Gene Rupard.  
WILLOWDALE — Mrs. Maxie Edmisten, W. R. Greene, Fred Blair.  
WILLOW VALLEY — Custer Ward, Dillard Greene, Rhon Norris.  
ZION HILL — Roby Presnell, Gradon Hagaman, Luther Harmon.  
ZIONVILLE — George Wilson, Jessie Stephens, Joe Wilson.

## CONSTITUTION

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who, on producing letters from their respective church certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, the ministers being ex-officio.
2. In the letters from the different churches is to be expressed their numbers in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed



by letter, excommunicated and dead since last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any special power over the churches. They shall not infringe upon any internal right of any church in this Union.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and Clerk who shall be chosen annually by the suffrage of the members present.

5. New churches or any regular church of Christ being locally dismissed by letter by any sister Association upon application and delegates, shall be admitted to our Union.

6. Every church in the Association shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

7. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be once read and before it is debated the Moderator shall put it to a vote, and if there is a majority for it being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and be debated, but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of their proceedings. The best method of accomplishing this purpose shall be at the direction of the future Associations.

10. We think it is absolutely necessary that we shall have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For the raising and supporting of which we think it to be the duty of each church in the Union to contribute annually such sums as they may think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association. The money thus raised shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer, appointed by the Association, who shall be accountable for the same. He shall pay the money out from time to time as the Association may direct.

11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for this service.

12. The minutes of this Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

13. Amendments to the plans or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association when they deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months prior notice.

14. The Association shall have power:

To provide for the general union of the churches.

To endeavor to preserve a chain of union among the churches.

To give the churches the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

To appropriate the money contributed by the churches for an Associational fund to any purpose they may think proper.

To have power to withdraw from any church in their Union who shall violate the rules of this Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

To correspond with sister Associations.

To invite any Baptist in the ministry to a seat in the Association, who may be present at the time of their sitting.

To adjourn the Association to any future time and place they may think proper and most convenient to the churches of the Union.

## RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

3. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect upon the person who spoke before him as to make remarks on his steps, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state the matter as he can do so as to give his views or ideas.

4. No person shall abruptly break or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

5. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on any one subject without liberty from the Association.

6. No member shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same or whispering in the time of public speaking.

7. No member shall address another in any other appellation than that of brother.

8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

9. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as required by the Association.

10. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any of the other members, provided the chair be filled. He shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

**OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH****Tuesday, August 24**

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“ . . . toward Spiritual growth!”

**MORNING SESSION**

- 9:00—Spiritual Growth through Worship ---- Roby Painter  
 9:15—Call to Order, Adoption of Program, Recognition of  
 Visitors.  
 9:25—Report of Clerk, Roll Call of  
 Churches ----- Mrs. Blanche Perry and S. C. Eggers  
 9:45—Address of Moderator ----- L. H. Hollingsworth  
 10:10—Misc. Business and Appointment of Committees.  
 10:30—Report of the Executive Committee --- C. J. Farthing  
 10:45—Spiritual Growth Through Associational  
 Missions ----- Rex West  
 11:15—Spiritual Growth Through Preaching of  
 the Word ----- E. O. Gore  
 Alternate, Gene Sherwood  
 12:00—Recess for Lunch.

**AFTERNOON SESSION**

- 1:00—Spiritual Growth Through Worship -- Homer Greene  
 1:10—Spiritual Growth Through Benevolent  
 Activity—(Orphanage Hospital, Homes for Aging,  
 Aged Ministers' Relief) Gene Sherwood, R. C. Eggers  
 Speaker: Dr. C. W. Reed, Baptist Orphanage  
 1:45—Spiritual Growth Through Missions, in the  
 State, the Homeland and  
 Foreign Lands ----- C. O. Vance, Victor Trivette  
 Speaker: Dr. M. A. Huggins, Raleigh  
 3:00—Adjourn

**EVENING SESSION**

- 7:15—Spiritual Growth Through Worship ---- Glenn Gentry  
 7:30—Report on Camp Joy ----- Mrs. Nora Wilson  
 7:40—Spiritual Growth Through Women's  
 Work ----- Mrs. Blanche Perry  
 8:00—Spiritual Growth Through Evangelism -- C. O. Vance  
 Speaker: Dr. J. C. Canipe, Supt. of Evangelism

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, BOONE****Wednesday, August 25**

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“ . . . toward Spiritual growth!”

**MORNING SESSION**

- 9:00—Spiritual Growth Through Worship ----- M. D. Hart

- 9:15—Spiritual Growth Through Christian Education ----- Dr. Ray Lawrence, Henry Austin  
Speaker: Dr. Phil Elliot, Gardner-Webb College
- 9:45—Spiritual Growth Through Sunday School, BTU, Brotherhood and WMU work. Reports: SS—Kent Brown, BTU—Ralph Beshears, WMU—Mrs. R. R. Garvey and Mrs. Russell Hodges, Brotherhood—Ira Ayers.  
Speaker: Horace Eason, State Brotherhood Secretary
- 10:30—Spiritual Growth Through Religious Literature ----- Rex West, Mrs. Maxie Edmisten  
Speaker: Dr. L. L. Carpenter, Biblical Recorder
- 11:00—Report of Nominations Committee—Election of Officers  
Committee Reports: Finance, Resolutions, Time, Place and Preacher.
- 11:30—Spiritual Growth Through Preaching of the Word ----- Homer Greene
- 12:00—Recess for Lunch.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1:00—Spiritual Growth Through Worship -- Victor Trivette
- 1:15—Report of Treasurer.
- 1:25—Spiritual Growth Through Higher Public Morals ----- Homer Greene, W. R. Vines  
Speaker: R. M. Hauss, Allied Church League, Shelby.
- 1:55—Miscellaneous Business
- 2:15—Memorial Service ----- Mrs. Nora Wilson,  
Mrs. Ray Lawrence
- 3:00—Adjourn.

**Proceedings of the  
One Hundred Fourteenth Annual Session of  
Three Forks Baptist Association of N. C.  
Held With  
Oak Grove and Boone Baptist Churches  
Tuesday and Wednesday, August 24 and 25, 1954**

#### First Day

The One Hundred Fourteenth Annual Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina met with the Oak Grove Baptist Church August 24, 1954.

The session was opened at 9:00 a.m. with Rex West leading in the singing of "We're Marching To Zion" and "Amazing Grace."



Roby Painter led the opening worship period. He read Mark 4:30-33 and pointed out that as we linger with Christ in worship we learn of Him, grow more like Him, and it prepares us for life's great experiences which lie ahead, and closed his remarks with prayer.

The Moderator, L. H. Hollingsworth, called the One Hundred Fourteenth Session to order for the transaction of business. He first recognized C. J. Farthing, chairman of the program committee, who presented the printed program which was in the hands of those present and made the motion that the program be adopted as printed with any changes which might need to be made. This motion passed.

Mr. Hollingsworth gave a very cordial welcome to all who were present for the opening session and especially the visitors: Guy Cain, Yadkinville; A. C. Moody and Lloyd Culler, Lenoir; G. E. Scruggs, Western Carolina Association; Smith Hagaman, Winston-Salem; J. C. Canipe, Hendersonville; N. L. Harrison, Stony Fork; Miss Hilda Schmeider, Florida; Zeb A. Caudle, Albemarle; W. K. McGhee, Winston-Salem; W. C. Reed, Thomasville; M. A. Huggins, Raleigh.

C. J. Farthing, Vice-Moderator, presided for the roll call of the churches, report of the Clerk, and address of the Moderator.

Thirty Churches answered to the roll call. During the course of the sessions all but three churches were accounted for. Boone Mission was recognized.

The report of the Clerk was read by S. C. Eggers and after motion to adopt was discussed by him. He mentioned the striking difference between baptisms and gifts and said it seemed we were more willing to give money than time to work for the Lord and the most essential thing was to win to the Lord and train people, especially young people. The report was adopted.

### ASSOCIATIONAL PROGRESS

	1953	1954	Gain or Loss
Number of Churches -----	45	45	Even
Church Membership -----	8329	8496	Gain 167
Baptisms -----	256	313	Gain 57
Sunday School Enrollment ___	6165	6630	Gain 465
Training Union Enrollment __	1211	1555	Gain 344
W. M. U. Enrollment -----	520	523	Gain 3
Brotherhood Enrollment -----	162	148	Loss 14
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Total Contributions			
(All purposes) -----	\$117,494.11	\$146,808.26	Gain \$29,314.15



Howards Creek and Bethany reported Vacation Bible School enrollment larger than Sunday School enrollment.

Respectfully submitted,

S. C. Eggers

Mrs. Blanche Perry.

Rex West led in singing "He Leadeth Me" which was followed with the address of the Moderator. Basing his remarks on the theme "Toward Spiritual Growth" he read Revelation 11:1 which calls for the measuring of the temple, the altar and the people. Calling attention to the marvelous blessings which have come to Three Forks Association, Mr. Hollingsworth challenged us to measure ourselves by the purpose of God, the needs of the people to whom we minister, and the opportunities which are ours. He led us to face the question whether we are big enough for the task to which God has called us and challenged us to measure up in faith, vision, and Christian stewardship.

After prayer by Smith Hagaman, the Moderator appointed the following committees:

Nominations—James Sherwood, C. P. Calloway, Clyde R. Greene.

Finance—Grady Minton, Mrs. Gene Sherwood.

Time, Place and Preacher—Mrs. Rex West, Basil Tester, Joe L. Coffey, Sr.

C. O. Vance spoke briefly in the interest of a Christian Life Revival in the Association November 1-5 and said that J. C. Pipes would come to lead in it. The motion was made that the Association commit itself to this effort, that the Missions Committee work with Mr. Pipes in planning it, and all churches be urged to cooperate. This motion carried.

C. J. Farthing read the report of the Executive Committee and each point was discussed and approved separately.

### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee held three meetings this past year: the first a joint meeting with the Finance and Missions Committees November 1; the Executive Committee alone February 26 and July 11.

Much of the discussions centered around Associational Missionary work with suggestions and plans as to how the work might be projected in the future. The last meeting was devoted almost entirely with specific plans for the Fall Session.

Clyde R. Greene was authorized by the Executive Committee to have all copies of the minutes of the Association since 1939 bound into

one volume and these, together with those previously bound, be put into a rented vault in the Northwestern Bank.

The Executive Committee offers the following specific recommendations to the Association:

1. That an Executive Committee composed of nine members, plus the Moderator, Vice-Moderator and Clerk, be elected by the Association and its power continued to act between sessions of the Association; that all pastors be invited to meet with and function in an advisory capacity and when they do it shall be known as the Executive and Promotion Committee.

2. That the Association instruct the Executive Committee to have four stated meetings each year and called meetings when necessary.

3. That the Association sponsor one major effort this next year to improve the effectiveness of its work. That the Executive Committee arrange and promote such a week's effort and for its guidance it is suggested that possibilities include a Sunday School Enlargement Campaign, a Church Enlargement Campaign and a Better Bible Teaching Clinic and Dr. Henry Walden and L. L. Morgan be consulted for assistance.

4. That the Executive Committee superintend the printing of the minutes with a view toward getting them into the churches within a few weeks after the Association meets.

5. That the recommendation in regard to the Associational Missions program made in 1953 be continued.

The Associational Missions report was read by Rex West and after motion to adopt was strongly discussed, with emphasis on need and cost, by E. J. Farthing, Clyde R. Greene, C. J. Farthing, Victor Trivette, Gene Sherwood, L. H. Hollingsworth, and Grady Minton. A standing vote was called for and the report was adopted.

### **REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE**

Your committee on Associational Missions has met numerous times throughout the year discussing plans and problems of the associational missions work which includes the following:

Our Moderator has spoken in twenty three churches explaining the work and necessity of associational missions and the missions committee chairman has spoken in two churches making a total of twenty five churches where the plan and need of associational missions has been presented to our churches.

On January 25, 1954 the Baptist State Convention advised that they would assist us in the amount of \$1440.00 a year or \$120.00 a month as a supplemental amount for our associational missions work. This was

granted to the Association at the request of your committee and will be given as part of the budget for associational missions if a Missionary is obtained in 1954.

Letters were sent to all the churches in our Association relative to the actual monetary support that they would each contribute to associational missions. Our churches were very cooperative in answering the letters of inquiry. Sixteen churches pledged to support the associational missions work in the approximate amount of \$150.00 each month.

Our Finance Committee, after careful study and investigation, feels that we must ask from our churches enough to provide a budget of \$5,500.00 to \$6,000.00 per year to obtain a man who would make a satisfactory effort in associational missions work. This amount they feel would be commensurate with the services rendered to our churches and the work of the Kingdom of Christ under our present day of high prices. This amount would include salary, rent, office and car expenses.

We trust, hope and pray that more of our churches will cooperate in this much needed work so that your Missions Committee, Executive Committee and Finance Committee may be able to complete the task of securing an Associational Missionary, as authorized by the Association in session at South Fork Baptist Church, Tuesday, August 25, 1953 and recorded on pages 16 and 17 of the minutes of the Three Forks Baptist Association's One Hundred Thirteenth Annual Session.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rex W. West  
Wade E. Brown

Rex West led the singing of "I Gave My Life For Thee" and E. O. Gore came for the preaching period. He read Luke 4:18-19 and John 10:16 and directed our thoughts toward spiritual growth through preaching of the Word. Taking "The World Vision of Jesus" as his subject he said that Jesus saw a world lost in sin, a world He loved, and He left a world program as an indication of His world vision.

"Send the Light" was sung and Guy Cain led the closing prayer and asked the blessing on the lunch which followed.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened with singing "Down At the Cross" and "Come Thou Fount," Rex West leading.

Homer Greene led the devotions reading Ezekiel 28:14 and Psalm 118:22 and said that we must have a faith anchored in God, that fear and complacency are our greatest enemies, and a return to Christ is necessary if our nation survives. He closed his remarks with prayer.



R. C. Eggers read the report on Benevolent Activity and after motion to adopt, Mr. Hollingsworth recognized W. C. Reed, superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage, who spoke to the report. Mr. Reed introduced Zeb A. Caudle, superintendent of Baptist Home for the Aging, Albemarle, who spoke for both the Baptist Home there and at Winston-Salem and mentioned plans for having one central home in Winston-Salem in the future. Mr. Reed then introduced W. K. McGhee who spoke for the Baptist Hospital. He told of a chapel being built for the hospital by a business firm in Winston-Salem, which would be known as the Davis Memorial Chapel. Mr. Reed then told about the new church being built at Kennedy Home through special gifts. After this discussion the report was adopted.

### REPORT ON BENEVOLENCES

Under the above heading we have four great Christian Institutions to consider:

1. First, the Orphanage with all its great work. We think the Orphanage should be supported by every church in this Association, faithfully every week, both by prayer, and canned fruits, and also our weekly offerings.

2. The Baptist Hospital in its ministry of healing the sick should likewise be supported by our prayers and offerings. Many of us have been there and know the blessings we received. Jesus healed the sick and this is what this great institution is doing, surely God smiles upon the Baptist Hospital.

3. The Home for the Aging. This institution is young yet, and should have started fifty years ago, and when the time comes to make our offerings, do as the Bible says, open our hands wide unto them, and continue to make these old folks happy.

4. The old Ministers Relief. We wish that our young ministers could see into the future like they will see by and by through their tears and from the grave's mound, then surely they would join the old Minister's Retirement Plan, and lead the churches to support it.

Respectfully submitted,

L. G. Sherwood

R. C. Eggers

C. O. Vance read the Report on Missions in the State, Homeland and Foreign Lands and moved its adoption. Mr. Hollingsworth then recognized M. A. Huggins, Secretary of North Carolina Baptist Convention, who challenged the

churches to have a good financial plan and to give through the Cooperative Program. The report was adopted.

### REPORT ON MISSIONS

“ . . . for we are come as far as to you also in preaching the gospel of Christ: — having hope, when your faith is increased, that we shall be enlarged by you according to our rule abundantly, to preach the gospel in the regions beyond you . . . ” 2 Cor. 10:14-16.

Some time ago Dr. M. T. Rankin, capable and consecrated executive secretary of our Foreign Mission Board until his sudden death recently, challenged Southern Baptists to truly advance in their task of carrying the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the whole world by asking, “Do Baptists dare follow God?” As we have sought to follow God into all the world, we have learned that the world has no bounds whatsoever. It is gratifying in many respects to note the “spiritual growth” of Baptists through missions.

It must be assumed that people who have accepted Christ as Saviour and Lord will desire to have a share in the support of missions, education and beneficence. That is to say they will have the urge to support State, Home and Foreign Missions, colleges, seminaries, and the institutions for the support of orphans, the sick and the aging. This urge is felt by all genuine Christians, and having this urge, the question of the best way to do it has always been a very important one.

### IN FORMER DAYS

Up until about 27 years ago the plan followed in most Baptist churches was to set a special day during the year for some particular object, and the people were asked to make an offering for the support of this object. It became clear to thoughtful people that this method was becoming outmoded and inefficient. As these people began to think more on the words found in the New Testament, “On the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store,” some plan was sought whereby people could make an offering, not on just some special day in the year but on every Sunday. Thus the Cooperative Program was a result of this new understanding of the New Testament and of the clearer thinking on the part of Baptist people. The Cooperative Program, then, is simply the channel through which the offerings of each worshipper and each church flow into all the world.

### CO-OPERATION IS THE KEY

No big things can occur apart from co-operation. “Co-operation” is a great word among Baptists. It is a word which is Biblical in principle and in spirit, as Paul reminded the Corinthians, “We are laborers together with God.” Few individuals, or few churches can provide for the operation of a college, a seminary, an orphanage, a hospital, or even provide for the support of a state, home, or foreign missionary, but



through the cooperation of other individuals and churches, these great programs can be provided for. The Cooperative Program makes it possible for an individual or a church to have a share in everything Baptists are doing at home and abroad.

I, as an individual, make an offering, and when I do:

I worship God

I express my gratitude

I manifest my stewardship

I have a share in the support of all missions, education and beneficence.

In other words, I have a share in the support of:

1. 900 missionaries of the Foreign Mission Board.

2. About 1000 missionaries of the Home Mission Board.

3. About 100 missionaries working in North Carolina through State Missions.

4. The purchase of lots for new churches.

5. All departments of the State Mission Program with its 18 activities.

6. Helping provide an education for some 6000 students in our 7 Baptist colleges and some 5000 students in our 6 seminaries.

7. Our Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem and our Southern Baptist Hospital at New Orleans.

8. North Carolina Baptist Homes for Aging.

9. The Orphanage with about 700 children. (This support to begin in 1955).

"Dare we follow God?" We have advanced, yet we face with searching uneasiness, our records here in the Three Forks Association. Confessing our failures to dare follow God, let us face the future with the resolute determination to give more generously of our money, of our prayers, of our interest, of our sons and daughters that the "Kingdoms of this world may become the Kingdom of our Lord and His Christ."

Respectfully Submitted,

C. O. Vance

Victor Trivette

The afternoon session was closed with prayer by C. O. Vance.

### NIGHT SESSION

For the first time in many years a night session of the Association was held. 10 churches were represented when it met in Oak Grove church at 7:15 p.m. and was opened with Wm. Hodges leading the singing of "Must I Go and Empty Handed" and "Rescue the Perishing."

In the absence of Glenn Gentry, C. O. Vance read John 4:31-36, and made a few well-chosen remarks in regard to the

practice of evangelism in the life and teachings of Jesus, and led in prayer.

Mrs. Nora Wilson, director of Camp Joy, read the report for the camp and after motion to adopt, discussed it. The report was adopted.

### REPORT OF CAMP JOY

Dreams — Yes, dreams coming true in the development of Camp Joy, for such has been in the hearts and minds of many for several years. In 1952 a four acre semi-woodland plot was donated for associational camp grounds, located in upper Cove Creek valley, one mile off Highway 421, 12 miles northwest of Boone. In the summer of 1953 construction work was begun and in August the dining room-kitchen building was completed and equipped, and grounds graded. During May 1954, the bunk building was completed.

Equipment amounting to \$388.40, was donated to the camp. 48 cots and 50 mattresses were purchased at a cost of \$513.50. Individuals and groups from 15 churches gave on these. An amount \$90.14 is still due on the mattresses. 52 chairs, costing \$88.48, were bought by individuals and camp fund. Kitchen and dining room equipment and other necessary equipment, amounting to \$231.22, has been purchased during the last three years from the Associational Young People's Camp Fund. Donations made possible a piano.

The camp is to be used for religious purposes: summer camps for our Baptist young people; any and all Baptist church group gatherings; picnics, fellowship meetings, and associational meetings. We want all of you to use the camp, believing that you will experience joy in your hearts by so doing.

From August 1953 through June 1954, the camp was used on 17 different occasions: 1 B. S. U. pre-school retreat; 2 associational-wide gatherings; 3 associational one-day camps for junior and intermediate boys and girls during September and October 1953, with attendance of 68 from 12 churches; 3 associational two-day camps for junior and intermediate boys and girls in June 1954, with 73 attending from 11 churches; and 8 other church group gatherings. These gatherings from Camp Joy have had in attendance people from 18 churches of Three Forks Association and from 28 other places. The mission offering for the camps was \$34.26. Previous mission offerings from young people's camps and rallies, 1947-1952, were \$118.68, making a total of \$152.94.

The Lord has blessed in the work of Camp Joy in many ways and we praise Him for these blessings. During the associational camps our hearts were filled with joy as 12 of the boys and girls trusted Jesus as their Saviour and many others rededicated their lives. The Christian fellowship experienced in all of the gatherings has been wonderful. We feel that Camp Joy has had and will continue to have its part in the

spiritual growth of people.

We are grateful for all who have had a part in Camp Joy and may God bless you as you continue to support the camp through your prayers and efforts.

Mr. Hollingsworth recognized Mrs. Blanche Perry, Superintendent of Associational W. M. U. who presented Miss Elizabeth Campbell, Associational Missionary of Caldwell, who spoke on "Spiritual Growth Through W. M. U." She told how Woman's Missionary Union enlarges the vision of women through prayer, mission study, Bible study, young people's organizations, community missions, stewardship, and encouragement to service.

After singing "Standing On the Promises" C. O. Vance asked that a report on Evangelism be written after the message by J. C. Canipe which would include suggestions from the committee and Mr. Canipe, and this report be included in the minutes. This was granted.

J. C. Canipe, State Secretary of Evangelism, was recognized who spoke on plans for "Every Church Revived In '55." He said that Communism, Roman Catholicism and Secularism were out to dominate the world and had no scruples as to how it was done. He stirred the hearts of those present as he spoke of true evangelistic Christianity.

"At the Cross" was sung and J. C. Canipe led the closing prayer.

A goodly number of persons was present for this, one of the best sessions of the Association. They were challenged, as they had not been before, to active work for the Lord and left expressing appreciation for this special session of the Association.

### REPORT ON EVANGELISM

Evangelism, we believe, means the winning of the lost to Christ, the enlistment of the life for Him, and the development of all a person is and has for God's glory and for the advancement of His Kingdom work here in this world. Evangelism has made us and Evangelism will sustain us. If we lose our evangelistic fervor, we cease to be the kind of a Christian or Church God intended us to be.

We are glad to report that our churches baptized 313 people last year; yet, we regret to report that 10 of our churches did not report any baptisms.

Believing next year to be one of the greatest in Evangelism for our denomination yet, we offer the following suggestions:

1. That we adopt the slogan "Every Church Revived In '55," and that we work and pray that this may be true.



2. That each church be urged to cooperate in the great Southwide Simultaneous Crusade of Evangelism April 10-24, 1955.

3. That a chairman of Evangelism be elected and a complete organization be set up in the association to work with him.

4. That we would seek to follow the steps of preparation for this great Crusade suggested to us by our State Secretaries of Evangelism. Among these are the following:

(1) Every pastor teach the book "One To Eight" to his Sunday School workers during Victory Week, September 19-26, 1954.

(2) That each Sunday School sponsor the teaching of "Studies In Hebrews" January 3-7, 1955, accompanied by thirty minutes of prayer each evening.

(3) All pastors and church leaders be urged to attend the Statewide Conference on Evangelism at Greensboro, N. C., February 7-9, 1955.

(4) The taking of a religious census in all churches March 8, 1955, and that the Training Union sponsor church-wide Study Courses in Soul Winning, March 13-18, 1955.

(5) That a special week of prayer be observed in every church April 4-9, 1955.

(6) Two full weeks of preaching, visiting, and working be conducted in every church April 10-24, 1955.

"There is a tide in the affairs of men which, if taken at the flood, leads to victory." Surely there is a tide rising, and if we shall grasp it with courage and faith, we shall be led to victory for Christ Jesus.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. O. Vance.

## SECOND DAY

At 9:00 a.m. Wednesday morning, soft organ music by Mrs. Graydon Eggers marked the beginning of the session of the second day at Boone Baptist Church.

Pex West led the congregation in singing "What A Friend We Have In Jesus" and "My Jesus I Love Thee."

M. D. Hart led the devotions, reading Genesis 22:1-3, he showed how out of faith and obedience would come spiritual growth, and led in prayer.

The Moderator called the morning session of the second day of Three Forks Association to order and recognized new pastors: K. Maurice Cooper, Willowdale; Grady Minton, Clark's Creek; Frank Walker, Gap Creek; and visitors: Lester D. Cravton, French Broad Association; M. H. Kendall, Mars Hill; Dr. Roger Crook, Raleigh; Dr. Phil Elliot, Boiling Springs; Dr. L. L. Carpenter, Raleigh; R. M. Hauss, Shelby; Horace Easom, Shelby.

Mr. Hollingsworth referred to a letter which he had received from Claude Gaddy expressing regret that he could not be present for the meeting.

The first report of the morning, "Christian Education," was read by C. Ray Lawrence and after motion to adopt, Mr. Hollingsworth recognized M. H. Kendall who brought greetings from Mars Hill, Dr. Roger Crook who brought greetings from Meredith, and then introduced Dr. Phil Elliot, president of Gardner Webb Junior College, who spoke on Christian Education. Mr. Elliot stated that where there were no Baptist colleges to train leadership there was a great lack in enrollment in seminaries for further training and quoted figures from many institutions to prove his statements. He strongly urged that we (1) Keep our Baptist schools; (2) Support them, and (3) Use them.

### REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian Education is a basic concern for the promotion and perpetuation of the Christian Faith. Proverbs 22:6 lies the promise upon which a great challenge is to be met. "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it." The home should always be the beginning place of the Christian life. In addition to home training the church offers opportunity for spiritual growth and Christian service. The Sunday School, Training Union and W. M. U. are the medium through which we receive training and spiritual development. These phases of our Baptist work will be given in other reports. This report concerns our Baptist colleges in North Carolina.

North Carolina Baptists possess one of the finest systems of Christian Education in America. We have seven colleges whose geographic locations are within a short distance for anyone who enjoys wholesome atmosphere and high academic rating. They are as follows: Wake Forest, Wake Forest and Winston-Salem; (Senior College); Meredith, Raleigh, (Senior College for women); Mars Hill Junior College, Mars Hill; Gardner-Webb Junior College, Boiling Springs; Campbell Junior College, Buies Creek; Wingate Junior College, Wingate; Chowan Junior College, Murfreesboro.

The enrollment of our seven Baptist supported colleges exceeds 5,000 each year. Four hundred of these are being trained for the Baptist ministry, and an additional 250 are student volunteers for other full-time Christian services. This year approximately 600 students will graduate from our two senior colleges, and 500 from the junior colleges. Four hundred officers and teachers work as full-time employees in the seven institutions. The responsibility for the operation of each of these colleges is vested in the Board of Trustees named by the Baptist State Convention.



The seven Baptist Colleges have a net plant value of \$15,000,000 and an annual operating expenditure of \$3,000,000. The present endowment, including the \$11,000,000 provided in the Smith-Reynolds Foundation for Wake Forest College, totals \$15,500,000. The nine-year program of the Baptists of North Carolina provides for the expenditure of \$8,125,000 for plant additions and improvements, and an annual operating fund of \$450,000, or approximately \$100 per student.

The North Carolina Baptist Council on Christian Education has 45 members, 21 of whom are institutional representatives, 20 pastors and laymen from the General Board, and 4 ex-officio members.

North Carolina Baptist parents should acquaint themselves with our Baptist supported colleges and encourage their sons and daughters to match their career with **Christian Training**.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Ray Lawrence

Henry Austin

Kent Brown read the report on Sunday Schools, Ralph Beshears the report on Training Unions, Mrs. Russell Hodges that on Woman's Missionary Union, and I. S. Ayers the report on Brotherhoods. After motion to adopt these reports the Moderator recognized Horace Easom, State Brotherhood Secretary, who spoke to all four reports. He read Matthew 16:13-19 and likened our Sunday Schools, Training Unions, Woman's Missionary Unions and Brotherhoods to four keys which unlock all things which Baptists are trying to do. He said the most important things which Baptists are trying to do through these organizations are: to reach, teach, win to Christ, train, indoctrinate, enlist for all church services, stimulate missionary spirit, promote grace of giving, give world-wide vision, lead everyone into a definite place of service, and lead all Christians to be soul-winners. The reports were adopted.

### REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

About two-thirds of the Sunday Schools in the Association were visited in the interest of our Sunday School program — either for the growth of Sunday School work or in the interest of Vacation Bible Schools. The State Sunday School Department supplied us with the services of Miss Betty Jean Chambers, who conducted 10 Vacation Bible Schools in our association. Approximately 26 churches had Vacation Bible Schools with a total attendance of 1785.

Your Sunday School Department wishes to recommend a program that we feel will work well in all our churches and Sunday Schools:

1. If possible, to obtain Miss Chambers again next year to assist in the Vacation Bible Schools and if need be, obtain one other State worker. This can be done only if the work of our Vacation Bible Schools

is started early. Also, if possible, to contact every Sunday School in the association and to enlist every person in our association who can and will work in this field.

2. That the Sunday School Department promote two or more Sunday School officers and teachers training courses in the fall or early winter months of 1954. That our officers of the different departments in our Associational Sunday School work know their work and be willing to perform to the best of their ability the job to which they have been assigned.

Much prayer and work will be done before this program can be accomplished. Each church, with its leaders, will have to make a decision as to whether or not this program is worth anything to their people. Three Forks Association is growing — let us keep it growing in the Lord's work. If you feel that the Sunday School and Vacation Bible School are not beneficial to the religious education and growth of our churches, then let us know why you think so. If it is good and sound, then you should get behind it with all your power so that the Lord's will may be done in our churches and Association.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kent K. Brown

### REPORT ON TRAINING UNIONS

During the past year the churches of Three Forks Baptist Association have experienced an increase in the interest of Training Union work. Some new unions have been organized and people are foreseeing the values of a training program in their church.

Last fall, under the direction of James P. Morgan, State Training Union Secretary, a Central Training School was held for the benefit of all the churches of this association. This school was held at Oak Grove and nine state workers were here to assist in the instruction of the various groups. Representatives from 21 of our churches attended with a total enrollment of 179. Since that time we have realized this to be one of our most worthwhile endeavors.

December 7, 1953 we held our "M" Night meeting with Perkinsville Church. Our program was built around the theme for this year, "Keeping the Faith." Dr. John Farrar, Boiling Springs, was the principal speaker. 12 churches were represented with a total attendance of 161. 8 pastors were present.

An Associational Tournament was conducted last spring for the selection of participants in the district tournaments at North Wilkesboro. Associational quarterly meetings have been held throughout the year.

As we think of the things that have been done we also think of the many things yet to do. Our association, as a whole, still has a long way to go in the field of Training Union. Many of our churches would have Unions do not have the attendance and interest that they should. Also,

there are too many of our churches who have not as yet seen cause to participate in this phase of our work, and by not so doing are being held back in the advancement of the work that God would have them do. Time will not permit in this report the setting forth of the values of this work, but we would sincerely recommend that each of our 45 churches see to it that a good wide-awake Training Union is functioning as a part of their church program.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ralph L. Beshears

## REPORT ON WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The Woman's Missionary Union is composed of the Woman's Missionary Societies and the Young People's Organizations, and we now have in this association 14 societies and 24 young people's organizations — an increase over the preceding year.

Its object is to distribute missionary information and stimulate missionary effort; to secure cooperation of each individual in giving, not only money, but her time and talents to the mission program. For this purpose we would enlist and develop our women and young people in the practice of prayer for and study of all phases of our work.

In our program of work this year, we have conducted planned mission study courses and have encouraged the reading of other books on prayer, stewardship and missions.

The seasons of prayer for Foreign, Home, and State Missions were observed, including our first Association-wide Day of Prayer for Foreign Missions, held at Cove Creek Baptist Church. Contributions were made to each cause. A special donation, known as the Burney gift, was made to the Margaret Fund. This fund supplies scholarships for the education of the sons and daughters of our missionaries and the Burney gifts helps with their extra expenses.

We have established a Memorial Scholarship Fund which is used each year to aid one of our pastors to attend Fruitland Institute.

Our Annual Meeting was held with Rutherwood Baptist Church. At this time, Miss Janet Wilson and Miss Anna Frances Todd presented talks which brought a challenge to us for more earnest mission work.

One of our greatest assets toward spiritual growth of our young people is the work done at Camp Joy. The training and inspiration received there means more and better Christians.

Our theme for this year is "A Sinful World — A Sufficient Saviour," and as we continue to pray, study, and work together may we truly become "Laborers together with God" and do our share in presenting this Saviour to a "Sinful World."

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. R. R. Garvey  
Mrs. Russell D. Hodges



## REPORT ON BROTHERHOOD

Last year at the time the Three Forks Association met we had four Brotherhoods among our churches. Today we are happy to report five active Brotherhoods: Boone, Oak Grove, Rutherford, Perkinsville, and Cove Creek. In the last eight weeks Horace Easom, State Brotherhood Secretary, and I have visited and counseled with several other churches. We are confident that within the next month to six weeks we will have at least three more Brotherhoods started in our churches. Our aim and the goal which we intend to strive for until we reach it, is a Brotherhood in every church in our association. We call now for the interest, support and cooperation of every pastor and responsible church leader to help us achieve this end.

We cannot report all the activities of all the Brotherhoods for these include the whole range of the Kingdom Program in the churches. But I do want to mention one or two special activities that these Brotherhoods have engaged in successfully. The Boone Brotherhood has sponsored a very fine Boy Scout Hut on the church property and, for several years, has maintained at least one student in the college who otherwise could not have had an education. At present Arvil Greene is the student at ASTC who is being sponsored by this Brotherhood.

But the activity of which we are most proud and thankful is the Camp Joy project for the young people of our association, which has become a reality through the support of the Brotherhoods in our county. I could not say how much this camp is worth in dollars and cents, though this is considerable. Its worth to the cause of Christ among our people cannot be measured at all. The total amount spent at Camp Joy to date is \$3,822.89. Our churches have given \$2,310.20 and we have received \$1,237.21 in individual donations. We have \$236.40 in the bank at present and we still owe \$1,531.72 on the project. While of course every gift has not been from a Brotherhood member, this camp would never have become a reality without the active effort of these Brotherhoods and in fact, almost all the money given has come from Brotherhoods. Ten churches so far have given to Camp Joy. We urge those churches to continue their support and the others to join us in what we firmly believe to be one of our association's most important activities.

We pledge our best efforts in the future, even while we ask for your interest and support.

Respectfully submitted,

I. S. Ayers

Rex West led in the singing of "Stand Up For Jesus" and C. J. Farthing came to the platform and presided while the report on Religious Literature was being heard.

Mrs. Maxie Edmisten was recognized to read the report

on Religious Literature and moved its adoption. Dr. L. L. Carpenter, editor of Biblical Recorder, spoke to the report. He said that Baptists should have enough vision to put their Baptist paper into every home so that their people may be informed and inspired. The report was adopted.

### REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Christian literature does not need defending; it needs more distribution and wider reading. Never before have Baptists had such opportunities as today to magnify and promote the Lord's work through vital Christian literature. The printed page is powerful; its influence is universal. People tend to become like the things they read and absorb in their minds and hearts. The flood of bad literature has spread over our land, with almost every news stand, drug store, bus station, and even grocery stores, selling objectionable comic books, bad magazines, lurid books and periodicals that the United States mails refuse to carry. This bad literature very often finds its way into Baptists homes, and its pages are filled with the seeds of evil. Wider reading of good Christian literature would soon destroy the thirst for the bad. Baptists have a great opportunity to provide the best reading matter they can get for their homes.

To meet this evil flood of bad literature we have a marvelous array of well printed, sound Baptist periodicals, Sunday School, and other Christian publications for every age, spiritual interest, and need. Included in these publications are the Home Life, The Commission, Home Missions, Royal Service, and our own Baptist State papers, Charity and Children and the Biblical Recorder. Perhaps no denomination in America has so fine a selection of Christian Literature as Southern Baptists have today. The aim of it all is to inform, enlist, indoctrinate, unify, and inspire our people for faithful service in our Lord's name. Our Christian literature must be magnified and promoted in all our churches if God's work is to go forward. Dr. M. E. Dodd said, "A non-reading Baptist is a non-informed Baptist; a non-informed Baptist is a non-interested Baptist; a non-interested Baptist is a non-cooperative Baptist, and a non-cooperative Baptist is not much of a Baptist."

In North Carolina, the Biblical Recorder covers the entire field of our Baptist work. Without our state Baptist paper, successful promotion of the Lord's work in all Baptists channels would be well-nigh impossible. The Recorder has carried the message of Baptist progress into Baptist homes for 121 years. Pastors, associational missionaries, and consecrated Baptist leaders have over the years promoted its circulation, and they have rejoiced to see the fruits of much good reading. People always do more when they know more. As they read, they lead. As they are informed, they are inspired. People are not interested in,



and will not support, that which they do not know about. We trust that our Baptist papers will be in each Baptist home of our association and will be read by each member in the home.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rex W. West  
Mrs. Maxie Edmisten

The election of officers being next on the program Mr. Hollingsworth called for nominations for Moderator. On motion of Roby Vines, L. H. Hollingsworth was nominated. Mr. Hollingsworth called R. C. Eggers to the platform, who asked for further nominations. There being none, Clyde R. Greene made a motion that Smith Hagaman cast the vote of the association for Mr. Hollingsworth, which he did. In like manner C. J. Farthing was elected Vice-Moderator, Mrs. Blanche Perry, Clerk-Treasurer and Clyde R. Greene, Treasurer of Mission Funds.

James Sherwood read the report on Nominations, which after some explanation, was adopted. As an amendment to the report, Homer Greene nominated C. O. Vance as Chairman of Evangelism and he was duly elected. This report is found in the Associational Directory.

Because of an oversight, nominations were in order for Historian, Librarian, Song Leader and Pianist. Clyde R. Greene, Historian, Mrs. Blanche Perry, Librarian, Rex West, Song Leader and Mrs. Kathleen Ward, Pianist, were elected by acclamation.

The report on Time, Place and Preacher was read by Basil Tester and adopted.

Time—Tuesday and Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in August 1955.

Place—Bethany, first day and Mount Calvary, second day.

Preacher—C. O. Vance, first day; Alternate, Victor Trivette; Gene Sherwood, second day; Alternate, Grady Minton.

Place for Spring Session—Cove Creek.

Preacher—Homer Greene; Alternate, Howard Hodges.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Rex W. West  
Basil Tester  
Joe L. Coffey, Sr.

Wade E. Brown read the report on Resolutions and this was adopted by a standing vote.

### RESOLUTIONS

We extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to the entire congregation, and especially to the good women for the bountiful food,



**DISBURSEMENTS:**

1000 Minutes -----	\$183.70	
Clerk -----	40.00	
Postage -----	12.75	
Dr. Owens (Spring Session) -----	20.00	
Programs for present Session -----	16.45	
Binding Minutes (Estimated) -----	10.00	282.90
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		\$ 11.57

**ASSOCIATIONAL MISSION FUND****RECEIPTS:**

Balance from 1953 -----		\$ 28.02
Received from the following churches: ---		648.01
Boone -----	\$300.00	
Blowing Rock -----	80.50	
Cove Creek -----	110.00	
Bethel -----	16.35	
Mabel -----	20.00	
Pleasant Grove -----	16.00	
Meat Camp -----	36.00	
Poplar Grove -----	25.00	
Brushy Fork -----	44.16	
C. J. Farthing -----		10.00
Baptist State Convention -----		65.00
Baptist State Con. for V. B. S. Exp. -----		76.14
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<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b> -----		<b>\$827.17</b>

**DISBURSEMENTS:**

Balance Mrs. Perry's Salary -----	\$345.00	
Miss Chambers for Vacation Bible School -	76.14	421.14
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<b>BALANCE IN BANK</b> -----		<b>\$406.03</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
Clyde R. Greene, Treasurer

Roby Vines read the report on Public Morals. After motion to adopt, Mr. Hollingsworth recognized R. M. Hauss, representative of the Allied Church League of North Carolina, who spoke to the report. He asked that protest be made to radio stations that they stop advertising strong drink, that we stop taking magazines that advertise strong drink and that we be careful to send to the Legislature this fall men who are Dry. He suggested too, that we follow suggestions made

by the Baptist State Convention in its Annual Meeting in November 1953 and set up a Temperance Committee in every church and observe the first Sunday in December as Commitment Day. E. J. Farthing in further discussing the subject said that the breakdown of morals was one great thing threatening our nation and this was due in almost every instance to strong drink. The report was adopted.

A motion was made and adopted that the association go on record as approving the suggestion of each church setting up a committee on Temperance.

### REPORT ON PUBLIC MORALS

The time has come when the Scriptures must be consulted for the problem that now faces the entire human family and which threatens to destroy our Christian civilization, namely the problem of immorality.

According to recent statistics compiled by our Southern Baptist Board, on the subject of "Public Morals," there is at this time some 67,000,000 young people above the age of 15 who use alcoholic beverages. \$10,000,000 is spent annually for strong drink alone, not to mention the other vices and corruptions among the youth of our land. It is estimated that for the \$18,000,000 spent for crime that 95% of it is related to alcoholic beverages.

The question that all of our church people should be vitally concerned about is: "What can we do about it?" We submit to you that each "born again child of God" can and must do something about this destructive problem. First, we all can find out how many and what type places are distributing alcoholic beverages. Second, we can find out how many and what type places are not handling alcoholic beverages and encourage our people to properly warn and train their children to not patronize such places. Third, we can get people to work in the many processes of educational programs of good citizenship, both in this world and in the world to come.

Something must be done. The following figures are submitted for your information and consideration of the rapid increase in the use of alcoholic beverages from 1934 to 1977: In 1934 there was 31% of all people 20 years old who used alcoholic beverages. In 1950 there was 50% of all people 16 years old who used alcoholic beverages, and it is estimated that by 1977 there will be 87% of the nation's youthful population using alcoholic beverages.

Someone has well said that "When conditions are at their worst, the Church must be at its best."

In its final analysis, the Scriptures must first, last and always be consulted for the solution to this gigantic problem. We find the solution in 2 Chronicles 7:14, "If my people which are called by my name, shall



humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

Respectfully submitted,  
Homer Greene  
W. R. Vines

Mr. Hollingsworth expressed his deep appreciation for all that had been done to make this one of the best sessions the association had ever had and mentioned especially that every speaker had kept in the time limit and the attendance had been especially good.

C. J. Farthing commended all those who had reports to make or who had any part on the program, for they were all ready when called for.

It was voted that a small change be made in the program and that the Memorial Service be the closing part of the program.

Clyde R. Greene made the motion that the Clerk be instructed to prepare the minutes for printing and be allowed \$50.00 for his services. The motion carried.

It was voted that the Executive Committee be empowered to prepare a suggested order of business for the next session.

Rex West made a motion that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with and it was so ordered.

Mrs. Nora Wilson and Mrs. Ray Lawrence led in an impressive Memorial Service. Mrs. Graydon Eggers played "When They Ring the Golden Bells" as a prelude and then played soft organ music during the reading of the names of our beloved dead by Mrs. Wilson. C. O. Vance led in a few moments of memorial meditation. Mrs. Lawrence read John 14:1-4, Beth Eggers and Bob Gilley sang "The Holy City" and L. H. Hollingsworth led in prayer.

Then, using his gavel, Mr. Hollingsworth declared the association adjourned until its next session or until called into session by the Executive Committee.

L. H. Hollingsworth, Moderator  
Mrs. Blanche Perry, Clerk

### OUR BELOVED DEAD

#### BEAVER DAM

Mr. Luther Wilson

#### BEECH VALLEY

Mrs. Ortha Hicks

#### BLOWING ROCK

Mrs. J. D. Brown

#### OAK GROVE

Mrs. Beulah Greene

Mr. Henry Bentley

#### PLEASANT GROVE

Mr. Sam Flannery

Mr. Fred Price



(Charter member)	Mrs. Nancy Greene
<b>BOONE</b>	<b>POPLAR GROVE</b>
Mrs. Alice Brown	Mr. Will Oxentine
Mr. G. G. Wilcox	<b>PROFFIT GROVE</b>
Mr. J. Len Storie	Mr. Frank Proffit
<b>BRUSHY FORK</b>	Mr. Claude Norris
Mr. George H. Hayes	<b>RUTHERWOOD</b>
Mrs. Lunda Hartley	Mr. John R. Hodges
Deacon John Norris	Mr. Virgil Carroll
Corporal Russell Hayes	<b>SHULLS MILLS</b>
<b>CLARK'S CREEK</b>	Mr. Robert Tester
Mr. Walter Storie	Mr. Roby Tester
<b>COOL SPRINGS</b>	<b>STONY FORK</b>
Mrs. Blanche Walker	Mr. Theodore Kerhoulas
Miss Flossie Hartley	<b>THREE FORKS</b>
<b>COVE CREEK</b>	Mrs. Nan Edmisten
Mrs. Nan Mast	<b>UNION</b>
Mr. D. C. Mast	Mr. John G. Norris
<b>HOWARDS CREEK</b>	<b>WHITE ROCK</b>
Mrs. William Barnes	Miss Maxine Rupard
<b>LAUREL SPRINGS</b>	Mr. Charles Shook
Mr. E. T. Miller	<b>WILLOWDALE</b>
Mr. Arthur Nichols	Mr. Claude Edmisten
<b>MIDDLE FORK</b>	Mr. Vaught Mast
Mrs. Will Hayes	Mr. V. M. Presnell
<b>MOUNT GILEAD</b>	<b>WILLOW VALLEY</b>
Mr. Wiley L. Greenwell	Mrs. Rebecca Tester
<b>MOUNT LEBANON</b>	<b>ZIONVILLE</b>
Mr. Frank Greer	Mr. General Brown
	Mr. Millard Wilson

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPRING SESSION OF THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Spring Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association, which met at Beaver Dam Church May 4, 1954, was called to order by the Moderator, L. H. Hollingsworth, at 9:30 a.m.

William Hodges led the congregation in the singing of several hymns which prepared the minds and hearts of those present for the messages which followed.

The theme for the day's program, "The Revival We Need," was followed in all phases of the program.

M. D. Hart, leading the devotional period, read Mark 2:1-5, and said that the kind of revival we need is one that will stir us to action to bring the unsaved to Jesus.

Following prayer, Victor Trivette, chairman of the program committee, presented the program as suggested by the committee and moved its adoption, subject to any change which might be found necessary to be made during the day. The motion carried.

The Moderator recognized Bynum Trivette, pastor of the host church; R. C. Eggers, past Moderator of the association; and D. C. Watkins, Kannapolis. Other pastors present were: Gene Sherwood, Victor Trivette, M. D. Hart, E. J. Farthing, Fred Hagaman, David Greene, E. O. Gore, W. C. Payne, Carl Wilson and Arrant Greer. Smith Hagaman, visitor, was also recognized.

When the roll was called 19 churches answered. Later representatives from 10 other churches came, making a total of 29 churches represented.

D. C. Watkins, in speaking on "Personal Evangelism" said that the biggest job in the world is to win others and with the use of many scriptures showed why and how to win others.

"Church Evangelism" was ably discussed by A. R. Smith who closed by saying that an evangelistic church would have a consecrated, praying membership who would be willing to sacrifice for God's cause.

C. O. Vance read Acts 11:19-24 and using as his subject "Associational Evangelism" presented some definite things which should be done looking toward simultaneous revivals in all the churches April 10-24, 1955, most important of which were enlisting 1000 consecrated Christians praying for a revival and 500 dedicating themselves to the task of winning at least one lost person to Christ.

After singing "What A Friend We Have In Jesus" Mr. Hollingsworth introduced M. O. Owens, Jr., pastor of the First Baptist Church, Lenoir, N. C., who in his message further challenged the people. After prayer, he read John 4:35-38. In his comments he said that evangelism is preaching and teaching to win souls and change lives. After giving the requisites for the revival we need he closed with these words, "All God needs is reapers — you and I have a place."

The morning session was closed with prayer by Smith Hagaman.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

William Hodges led the song service which opened the afternoon session.

Gene Sherwood read Philippians 1:9-10 and gave love as the basis for cooperation and unity between churches and

closed his remarks with prayer.

After singing "My Faith Looks Up To Thee," Mr. Hollingsworth called on all present to express their appreciation to the host church for their hospitality and for all the blessings of the day with a hearty "Amen."

Mrs. Nora Wilson, director of Camp Joy, expressed appreciation for all that had been done for the camp and made announcement of future activities and urged all the churches to send their young people to one of three camps which would be held in June.

Mr. Hollingsworth referred to the statement he made when elected Moderator in regard to visiting the churches and stated that to date he had spoken in 23 of them and planned to visit the other 22 before the Fall Session in August.

C. J. Farthing spoke on "State-wide and South-wide Evangelism." Using scriptures he stressed leading people to accept Christ as Saviour and Lord and said the weakest link in Baptist churches was getting Christians to accept the Lordship of Christ in their individual lives.

G. C. Cox in his message on "Worldwide Evangelism" said three things were necessary. We must look and see a lost world, pray for laborers, and go with ourselves dedicated and consecrated and claim God's promise "Lo, I am with you."

After singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," R. C. Eggers led the closing prayer.

### MINUTES OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The theme of the Forty-first Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Baptist Association held at Rutherford Church, April 22, 1954, was "Entrusted To Us." The meeting began at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon with Mrs. Blanche Perry, Superintendent, presiding.

After a period of soft music by Miss Joyce Perry, the meeting was opened by singing "We've A Story To Tell."

Devotional thoughts on "A Message To Give" were brought by Mrs. Addie Clawson and Mrs. Ella Parlier. Special music, "Jesus Saves" was rendered by Mrs. John Ward, Mrs. Howard Barnes and Alma Hodges, followed by prayer led by Rev. Raymond Hendrix, pastor of the Rutherford Church.

It was a great privilege to have with us Miss Janet Wilson, State Young Peoples Secretary, Raleigh; Miss Anna Frances Todd, Missionary to South America, Colombia, South America, and the following pastors: Rex West, Raymond Hendrix and C. O. Vance.

Mrs. Perry reported that one new society had been organized and another is to be organized in the near future. These are at Vanderpool and Brushy Fork.

The roll call of the societies found Cove Creek with 12 members present; Rutherwood 7; Laurel Springs 2; Stony Fork 1; Three Forks 2; Blowing Rock 14; Boone 8; Poplar Grove 5; Perkinsville 7; Willowdale 3; Oak Grove 23; and Brushy Fork 6; and visitors 7, making a total of 97 present. The offering was \$26.36.

Mrs. Kathleen Ward gave a report on our Divisional W. M. U., and the Craver Memorial Fund.

There were reports by the chairmen of the committees, of all phases of the work, "Entrusted to Us" through Opportunities of Outreach, Mental Powers, Material Possessions, and Personality and Influence.

Miss Janet Wilson gave a very inspiring talk on "Hold In Trust," and challenged each one to work more with our business women.

After the hymn, "A Charge To Keep I Have," Miss Wilson brought another inspirational message on the subject, "Faithful To the Trust." She challenged each one to see the urgent needs of people today and to pray that God would help us to be faithful to the trust.

Mrs. Boyd Cook brought the report of the obituary committee.

#### IN MEMORIAM

It is with a sense of gratitude that we pause in the proceedings of the meeting to pay marked tribute to those who have lived and served and left us. Their lives are our examples and our inspiration. May the gracious God who gave them and took them, teach us to treasure their memory and rededicate our lives to His service in memoriam to them.

We offer our sympathy to the bereaved families of the following: Mrs. Alice Brown, Boone, and Mrs. J. D. Brown, Blowing Rock.

In memory of all our honored dead, we would stand together in a moment of silent prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Boyd Cook

Mrs. Muriel Brown

The Time and Place Committee reported that the next annual session would be held at Boone church.

The report of the nominating committee was given by Mrs. Lewis Hodges.

Superintendent	-----	Mrs. Blanche Perry
Associate Superintendent	-----	Mrs. Johnny Sherwood
Secretary and Treasurer	-----	Miss Aima Hodges
Mission Study Chairman	-----	Mrs. Ruth Greer
Community Missions Chairman	-----	Mrs. Ethel Hodges
Stewardship Chairman	-----	Mrs. Maxie Edmisten



Literature Chairman -----	Mrs. Addie Clawson
Margaret Fund-Carver School Chairman -----	Mrs. Daisy Adams
Young People's Leader -----	Mrs. Nora Wilson
Y. W. A. Leader -----	Mrs. Kathleen Ward
G. A. Leader -----	Mrs. Mack Austin
R. A. Leader -----	Mr. John Ward
Sunbeam Leader -----	Mrs. Hayes Wellborn
Nominating Committee -----	Mrs. Clara Brown, Chm.
	Mrs. Nell Barnes
	Mrs. Joe L. Coffey, Sr.

Miss Janet Wilson presided during the installation of officers and led the dedicatory prayer.

Rev. Rex West, with Miss Joyce Perry at the piano, sang "The Love of God."

Miss Anna Frances Todd, Missionary to South America, spoke a challenging message as she told of the work, needs and opportunities in South America. She said that we need to help others to know that there is a God and Salvation.

The evening session was closed with prayer by Miss Todd, who also gave thanks for the evening meal that was prepared and served by the host church.

### NIGHT SESSION

After a most delicious and generous supper the group was called in for worship by soft music played by Miss Joyce Perry.

The congregation joined in singing "Oh Zion, Haste" and scripture was given by the R. A.'s of Oak Grove, carrying out the theme "Onward, Tis the Lord's Command." John Ward led in prayer.

Mrs. Daisy Adams presented the work of the Margaret Fund and Youth in Training. We now have nine students enrolled in schools in North Carolina from this fund. We have thirteen girls enrolled in the Carver School in Louisville, Kentucky, where they are given practical religious training.

Pictures of progress of Camp Joy and young people's work was presented by Mrs. Nora Wilson, with an impressive closing by young people of Oak Grove singing "We've A Story To Tell To the Nations," and prayer by Mrs. Wilson.

Miss Janet Wilson gave a challenging talk to the young people on the subject, "Entrusted To Youth."

After the hymn, "Jesus Calls Us," the report of the Appreciation Committee was given by Mrs. Herman Eggers.

We, the members of the Women's Missionary Union of Three Forks Association meeting in our annual session on April 22, 1954, do resolve:

1. To express our gratitude to God for his un-numbered and un-



deserved blessings.

2. To express our thanks to the officers for their faithful service during the past year.

3. To express our thanks to the women of the Rutherwood church for their hospitality shown us through this meeting.

4. To express our thanks to those who have planned and participated in this program.

Respectfully submitted

Mrs. Herman R. Eggers

Mrs. Gene Sherwood

Mrs. Clint Mast

The Treasurer's report was read.

Balance in Treasury April 23, 1953 .....	\$ 42.80
Received for W. M. U. Expense Fund .....	41.75

<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>\$84.55</b>
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Paid Out:

Miss Francis Tally, Missionary .....	\$10.00
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Mrs. C. J. Farthing, Expense for Association .....	15.00
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Mrs. Blanche Perry, Association Expense .....	3.50
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<b>TOTAL PAID OUT</b> .....	<b>28.50</b>
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Cash on hand .....	11.50
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Total on hand and in bank .....	67.55
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Balance in Memorial Fund .....	3.93
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Received at annual meeting .....	34.81
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Received from societies .....	27.51
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<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>66.25</b>
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Paid Out:

Howard Hodges, Fruitland Scholarship .....	45.00
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Balance in Memorial Fund .....	21.25
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Miss Todd again brought to the minds of the group the great needs in South America, pointing out that most of the people there live, walk, and die in darkness hoping that someone will pray them out of purgatory. We have the light of the world and must help spread it.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Grant Ayers.

Mrs. Blanche Perry, Superintendent

Alma G. Hodges, Secretary

## HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Place of meeting of each Session with names of Moderators, Clerks and Preachers

Year	Church	Moderator	Clerk	Preacher
1841	Three Forks of S. F.	Isaiah Wilcoxon	Richard Gentry	
1842	Beaver Creek	Isaiah Wilcoxon	Richard Gentry	Brazilla McBride
1843	Roans Creek	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Richard Gentry
1844	South Fork	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Brazilla McBride
1845	Three Forks of N. F.	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	R. P. Farthing
1846	Bear Creek	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Richard Gentry
1847	Ebenezer	Brazilla McBride	John Cook	Joseph Harrison
1848	Three Forks of S. F.	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Brazilla McBride
1849	North Fork	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Richard Gentry
1850	Gap Creek	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Brazilla McBride
1851	Pine Grove	Brazilla McBride	John Cook	Joseph Harrison
1852	Cove Creek	Brazilla McBride	John Cook	Larkin Hodges
1853	Horse Creek	Brazilla McBride	John Cook	J. A. Farthing
1854	Old Fields	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	Jessie Farmer
1855	Roans Creek	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	A. C. Farthing
1856	Antioch	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	Larkin Hodges
1857	Meat Camp	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	J. A. Farthing
1858	South Fork	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	John Cook
1859	Three Forks of N. F.	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	Joseph Harrison
1860	Bethel	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	Wm. Wilcoxon
1861	Three Forks of S. F.	J. A. Farthing	Rufus Moore	D. C. Harmon
1862	Gap Creek	J. A. Farthing	Rufus Moore	A. C. Farthing
1863	Ebenezer	J. A. Farthing	Rufus Moore	J. A. Farthing
1864	Cove Creek	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	R. P. Farthing
1865	Mulberry	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	S. J. Farthing
1866	Meat Camp	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	A. C. Farthing
1867	Brushy Fork	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	D. C. Harmon
1868	Globe	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	L. L. Maples
1869	Bethel	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	Jobe Moore
1870	Three Forks	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	D. C. Harmon
1871	Yadkin	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	R. P. Farthing
1872	Antioch	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	A. C. Farthing
1873	Meat Camp	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	T. F. Nelson
1874	Mulberry	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	A. C. Farthing
1875	Mount Zion	D. C. Harmon	L. L. Greene	D. C. Harmon
1876	Mount Pleasant	D. C. Harmon	L. L. Greene	J. M. Hall
1877	Globe	D. C. Harmon	L. L. Greene	J. A. Farthing
1878	Cove Creek	A. C. Farthing	Hiram McBride	W. D. Brown
1879	South Fork	A. C. Farthing	Hiram McBride	Asa Brown
1880	Pisgah	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	D. C. Harmon
1881	Brushy Fork	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	E. F. Jones
1882	Flat Top	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	D. C. Harmon
1883	Mulberry	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	A. C. Farthing
1884	Bethel	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	E. F. Jones
1885	Three Forks	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	J. J. L. Sherwood
1886	Laurel Springs	A. C. Farthing	J. J. T. Reese	I. W. Thomas
1887	Beaver Dam	A. C. Farthing	J. J. T. Reese	J. M. Harman
1888	Boone	A. C. Farthing	J. J. T. Reese	J. H. Farthing
1889	Mount Zion	A. C. Farthing	Jacob Younce	David Greene
1890	Three Forks	A. C. Farthing	Jacob Younce	Dr. C. E. Taylor
1891	Mount Gilead	A. C. Farthing	Jacob Younce	J. J. L. Sherwood
1892	Meat Camp	W. S. Farthing	Jacob Younce	J. F. Davis
1893	Antioch	W. S. Farthing	Jacob Younce	J. H. Farthing
1894	Gap Creek	J. F. Spainhour	Jacob Younce	Dr. C. Durham
1895	Cove Creek	W. S. Farthing	Jacob Younce	L. A. Wilson
1896	South Fork	W. S. Farthing	Jacob Younce	J. E. White
1897	Brushy Fork	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	J. H. Farthing
1898	Cool Springs	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	David Greene
1899	Beech Mountain	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	L. C. Wilson
1900	Laurel Springs	J. A. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	L. C. Wilson
1901	Bethel	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	J. M. Payne
1902	Flat Top	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	D. C. Harmon
1903	Zion Hill	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	Solomon Younce
1904	Elk Valley	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	J. F. Miller
1905	Pleasant Grove	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	C. S. Farthing
1906	Shulls Mills	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	David Greene
				C. S. Farthing

1907	Boone	-----	W. S. Farthing	----	Smith Hagaman	----	C. S. Farthing
1908	Forest Grove	-----	W. S. Farthing	----	Smith Hagaman	----	J. M. Payne
1909	Howards Creek	-----	W. S. Farthing	----	Smith Hagaman	----	D. A. Greene
1910	Beaver Dam	-----	W. S. Farthing	----	Smith Hagaman	----	J. M. Payne
1911	Mount Calvary	-----	W. S. Farthing	----	Smith Hagaman	----	G. W. Trivett
1912	South Fork	-----	J. J. L. Sherwood	----	Smith Hagaman	----	J. J. L. Sherwood
1913	Cove Creek	-----	J. J. L. Sherwood	----	Smith Hagaman	----	J. F. Eller
1914	Meat Camp	-----	J. J. L. Sherwood	----	Smith Hagaman	----	J. M. Payne
1915	Zionville	-----	J. J. L. Sherwood	----	W. Y. Perry	----	L. A. Wilson
1916	Stony Fork	-----	J. J. L. Sherwood	----	W. Y. Perry	----	J. F. Eller
1917	Antioch	-----	J. J. L. Sherwood	----	W. Y. Perry	----	L. C. Wilson
1918	Bethel	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	----	Wellington Swift
1919	Union	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	----	R. C. Eggers
1920	Gap Creek	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	----	R. C. Eggers
1921	Brushy Fork	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	----	F. M. Huggins
1922	Timbered Ridge	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	----	L. C. Wilson
1923	Laurel Springs	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	----	R. C. Eggers
1924	Pleasant Grove	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	----	Roy Dotson
1925	Three Forks	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	----	F. M. Huggins
1926	South Fork	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	----	E. J. Farthing
1927	Zion Hill	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	----	Braxton Craig
1928	Middle Fork	-----	I. G. Greer	----	W. Y. Perry	----	L. A. Hurst
1929	Shulls Mills	-----	I. G. Greer	----	W. Y. Perry	----	P. A. Hicks
1930	Mount Lebanon	-----	I. G. Greer	----	W. Y. Perry	----	A. J. Greene
1931	Meat Camp	-----	I. G. Greer	----	W. Y. Perry	----	Roy Dotson
1932	Bethany	-----	I. G. Greer	----	W. Y. Perry	----	J. A. McKaughan
1933	South Fork	-----	W. D. Farthing	----	W. Y. Perry	----	W. D. Ashley
1934	Beaver Dam	-----	W. D. Farthing	----	Dean Swift	----	A. J. Greene
1935	Brushy Fork	-----	W. D. Farthing	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	W. R. Davis
1936	Zionville	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	J. C. Canipe
1937	Howards Creek	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	W. C. Payne
1938	Oak Grove	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Philip Fletcher
1939	Cove Creek	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	D. M. Edmisten
1940	Three Forks	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	G. A. Hamby
1941	Pleasant Grove	-----	S. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	J. C. Canipe
1942	Mount Calvary	-----	S. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	H. K. Middleton
1943	Clark's Creek	-----	S. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Vilas Minton
1944	Bethel	-----	S. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	
1945	Boone	-----	J. C. Canipe	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Ben Lee Ray
1946	Rutherford	-----	H. K. Middleton	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Lawrence Hagaman
1947	Willowdale	-----	H. K. Middleton	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	W. D. Ashley
1948	Laurel Springs	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Oscar J. Harris
1949	Zionville	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Ronda Earp
1949	Forest Grove	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	
1950	Perkinsville	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Raymond Hendrix
1950	Three Forks	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	
1951	Beech Valley	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	A. C. Moody
1951	Poplar Grove	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	
1952	Mabel	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Harold Songer
1952	Union	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	
1953	South Fork	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Victor Trivette
1953	Greene Valley	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	
1954	Oak Grove	-----	L. H. Hollingsworth	----	Mrs. Blanche Perry	----	E. O. Gore
1954	Boone	-----	L. H. Hollingsworth	----	Mrs. Blanche Perry	----	



**Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP-**

CHURCHES	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES		GAINS		LOSSES		TOTAL					SPECIAL INFORMATION			
			Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Male Membership	Female Membership	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	State Paper in Budget	No. Missions Supported by Church	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor or not)
Antioch	R 1849 1	R. C. Cook, Lenoir, NC	22	0	9	200	104	200	102	132	1	0	No 0	No 0	571.79
Beaver Dam	R 1874 2-4	G. B. Trivette, Stony Fork, NC	16	0	9	130	104	234	102	132	1	0	No 0	No 0	596.70
Beech Valley	R 1941 2-4	E. J. Farthing, Sugar Grove, NC	7	0	1	73	18	91	34	57	1	0	No 0	No 0	257.10
Bethany	R 1893 2-4	Lloyd J. Culler, Lenoir, NC	1	0	3	88	52	139	139	140	2	0	No 0	No 0	428.83
Bethel	R 1851 2-4	J. H. Crisp, Lenoir, NC	9	2	6	159	82	241	101	140	2	0	No 0	No 0	900.00
Blowing Rock	T 1903 all	G. Carlton Cox, Blowing Rock, NC	2	9	7	163	36	199	82	117	1	40	No 0	No 0	3500.00
Boone	C 1870 all	L. H. Hollingsworth, Boone, NC	40	100	73	800	230	1030	409	621	1	112	Yes 1	Yes 1	5500.00
Brushy Fork	R 1858 all	Victor Trivette, Vilas, NC	8	11	6			204	95	109	2	30	No 0	No 0	1428.75
Clark's Creek	R 1898 2-4	Grady G. Minton, Vilas, NC	0	0	5	61	35	96	40	56	1	0	No 0	No 0	300.00
Cool Springs	R 1888 1-3	J. H. Crisp, Lenoir, NC	0	0	3	74	57	131	131	142	1	0	No 0	No 0	215.83
Cove Creek	V 1799 all		8	3	25	158	88	246	104	142	1	29	No 0	No 0	2600.00
Elk Knob	R 1890 1	N. F. Johnson, Todd, NC	3	2	12	45	20	65	65	77	1	0	No 0	No 0	185.00
Forest Grove	R 1889 2-4	Carl Wilson, Reese, NC	2	10	10			178	77	101	2	0	No 0	No 0	513.90
Friendship	R 1948 1-3	L. H. Haganan, Reese, NC	1	3	4	58	20	78	36	42	0	1	No 0	No 0	445.78
Gap Creek	R 1887 2-4	Frank Walker, North Wilkesboro, NC	13	12	13	104	104	104	48	56	2	6	No 0	No 0	348.67
Green Valley	R 1946 1-3	N. F. Johnson, Todd, NC	7	3	1	114	44	114	44	70	2	0	No 0	No 0	442.47
Howard's Creek	R 1882 2-4	W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock, NC	0	0	3	128	0	128	128	128	1	0	No 0	No 0	229.23
Laurel Springs	R 1873 all		0	0	5	181	133	314	314	314	2	10	No 0	No 0	1200.00
Meat Camp	R 1851 all		4	5	8	171	53	224	102	122	1	3	No 0	No 0	540.00
Mabel	V 1948 all	E. O. Gore, Zionville, NC	1	0	7	66	0	66	27	39	2	10	No 0	No 0	935.00
Middle Fork	R 1905 2	Raymond Hendrix, Boone, NC	5	4	5	103	55	158	158	158	1	0	No 0	No 0	242.00
Mountain Dale	R 1942 1-3	Carl Wilson, Reese, NC	17	2	6	75	35	110	43	67	2	0	No 0	No 0	435.84
Mount Calvary	V 1880 all	Glenn Gentry, Elk Park, NC	3	4	7	101	110	211	211	211	1	2	No 0	No 0	1625.00
Mount Gilead	R 1876 1-3	Arrant Greer, Zionville	2	0	1	41	44	85	40	45	1	0	No 0	No 0	142.20





Table B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	Sunday School Superintendents and Addresses		Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Extension Department	Officers Not Counted Classes And Departments	Mission Sunday School Enrollment	Grand Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible School Enrollment	Average Attendance V.B.S.	January Bible Study	Number Training Schools
Antioch	Howard Cable, Sugar Grove, NC		0	0	10	7	8	13	0	40	0	0	0	78	0	0	0	no	0
Beaver Dam	Jake Eggers, Reese, NC		0	0	16	14	15	13	46	51	0	0	0	155	120	0	0	no	0
Beech Valley	Paul Edmisten, Beech Creek, NC		0	0	5	10	17	16	16	28	0	0	0	92	65	0	0	no	0
Bethany	M. P. Ward, Banner Elk, NC		0	0	8	8	12	14	0	30	0	1	0	73	74	51	0	no	0
Bethel	Edmund Farthing, Sugar Grove, NC		0	9	16	12	24	14	22	67	0	2	0	175	115	0	0	no	0
Blowing Rock	K. K. Brown, Blowing Rock, NC		5	18	17	16	16	12	8	40	20	2	0	154	75	77	65	yes	0
Boone	Graydon P. Eggers, Boone, NC		25	69	46	62	76	69	270	257	79	6	105	1133	396	308	179	yes	0
Brushy Fork	Coy Love, Vilas, NC		3	0	12	9	14	16	31	78	0	0	163	94	47	44	no	0	
Clark's Creek	John Smith, Banner Elk, NC		0	0	12	6	12	0	8	22	0	2	0	62	60	0	0	no	0
Cool Springs	W. W. Austin, Rt. 3, Boone, NC		0	0	10	0	12	18	0	30	0	0	0	70	60	0	0	no	0
Cove Creek	James J. L. Sherwood, Vilas, NC		8	7	8	17	34	19	21	102	28	0	0	244	116	92	86	yes	3
Elk Knob	Robert Brown, Creston, NC		0	0	25	0	20	15	0	30	0	0	0	90	65	50	35	no	0
Forest Grove	J. G. Johnson, Reese, NC		0	5	6	6	15	16	39	39	0	0	0	126	70	0	0	no	0
Friendship	Russell Garland, Trade, Tenn.		0	0	0	17	10	0	27	42	0	0	0	96	68	62	52	no	0
Gap Creek	Robert Hartzog, Deep Gap, NC		4	6	13	16	15	16	14	43	0	3	0	130	96	74	65	no	0
Green Valley	Jack Farthing, Reese, NC		0	0	6	7	10	15	15	22	0	0	0	75	65	0	0	no	0
Howard's Creek	D. W. Cook, Boone, Rt. 2, NC		0	0	9	16	5	7	13	12	0	0	0	62	46	65	31	no	0
Laurel Springs	Joe L. Coffey, Jr., Deep Gap, NC		0	0	30	13	23	36	40	58	0	0	0	200	127	69	60	no	0
Mabel	Howard Younce, Vilas, NC		0	0	8	0	0	13	15	28	0	1	0	65	54	0	0	no	0
Meat Camp	Wade Shoemaker, Rt. 2, Boone, NC		3	0	9	9	10	21	34	24	14	0	0	124	77	60	42	no	0
Middle Fork	Perry Ashley, Blowing Rock, NC		0	0	6	5	8	14	20	27	0	0	0	80	75	0	0	no	0
Mountain Dale	Collis Greene, Reese, NC		0	0	8	10	10	12	15	15	0	11	0	81	60	0	0	no	0
Mount Culvary	William Puckett, Banner Elk, NC		0	0	6	10	10	13	11	36	0	0	0	83	45	20	19	no	0

Mount Gilead	Ted Reese, Rt. 1, Elk Park, NC	0	0	4	8	2	4	0	0	17	0	0	0	35	0	0	0	0	0
Mount Lebanon	Clarence Earp, Vilas, NC	0	0	20	20	20	20	30	40	40	0	0	0	150	100	0	0	no	0
Oak Grove	Ralph L. Beshears, Boone, NC	6	15	16	13	21	27	32	111	10	3	20	274	134	111	82	yes	2	2
Perkinsville	Boyd Cook, Rt. 1, Boone, NC	5	4	11	29	33	27	28	98	57	12	0	304	153	124	104	yes	2	2
Pleasant Grove	Clint Eggers, Zionville, NC	40	0	33	26	43	46	63	81	0	2	0	334	183	88	75	no	1	1
Poplar Grove	Earl Blackburn, Boone, NC	0	0	16	10	23	17	20	35	0	1	0	122	93	64	51	no	0	0
Proffitt Grove	Lloyd Bryan, Zionville, NC	0	10	27	12	19	22	26	44	0	5	0	165	115	0	0	no	0	0
Rich Mountain	James McNeil, Zionville, NC	0	0	10	0	10	0	12	20	0	1	0	53	52	0	0	no	0	0
Rutherford	R. V. Brown, Jr., Deep Gap, NC	0	0	15	12	18	24	25	48	0	0	0	142	82	23		no	0	0
Shulls Mills	C. M. Shore, Shulls Mills, NC												45	37	40	33	no.	0	0
South Fork	E. R. Mikeal, Todd, NC	0	2	8	12	15	14	15	25	0	7	0	98	64	56	48	no	0	0
Stony Fork	Harlen Greene, Deep Gap, NC	0	13	8	18	16	22	18	82	0	15	0	192		51	46	no	0	0
Tabernacle	Herman Moretz, Rt. 2, Boone, NC	0	0	5	9	5	26	0	15	0	0	0	60	36	25	15	no	0	0
Three Forks	James Austin, Boone, NC	0	0	20	17	23	23	19	65	0	3	0	170	114	92	83	no	0	0
Timbered Ridge	John G. Ward, Reese, NC	0	0	9	7	6	6	15	30	0	0	0	73	45	0	0	no	0	0
Union	Oley Eggers, Zionville, NC	0	0	10	20	18	45	0	70	0	1	0	163	110	0	0	no	0	0
Vanderpool	Ted Eller, Vilas, NC	0	6	10	10	15	10	20	30	0	4	0	105	65	50	40	no	0	0
White Rock	William H. Smith, Banner Elk, NC	0	0	24	0	10	11	15	40	0	0	0	100	60	22	21	no	0	0
Willowdale	Fred Edmisten, Sugar Grove, NC	0	0	15	10	15	10	8	46	0	1	0	105	59	41	38	no	0	0
Willow Valley	Carlie Greene, Sugar Grove, NC	0	0	0	13	12	0	27	47	0	0	0	99	65	0	0	no	0	0
Zion Hill	Graydon Haganan, Beech Creek, NC	0	0	0	10	11	6	16	20	0	2	0	65	58	0	0	no	0	0
Zionville	Eugene Wilson, Zionville, NC	0	11	9	14	15	22	35	59	0	0	0	165	114	0	0	no	0	0
	TOTALS	99	175	556	537	696	764	1079	2144	208	85	125	6630	3678	1785	1365	5	8	8







Table E BROTHERHOOD WORK-BUILDING-GOALS-CHURCH LIBRARY-CHURCH MUSIC-VISUAL EDUCATION

CHURCHES	Presidents of Men's Brotherhoods and Addresses	BROTHERHOOD										BUILDING			GOALS			CHURCH LIBRARY			CHURCH MUSIC			VISUAL EDUCATION		
		Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	No. Meetings Held	Young Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	No. Meetings Held	Total Brotherhood Enrolment	No. Meetings Held	Value Pastor's Home	Value of Church Property Including Pastor's Home	Total Church Debt at End of Year	Goal Cooperative Program Coming Year	Goal Association missions coming Year	Does your church have a library?	Number Choirs	Total Choir Enrolment	Music Budget	Use Church Musician Magazine	Church Had Music Training Course	Film-strip Projector	Motion Picture Projector						
Antioch							2,500					no			no	no	no	no	no							
Beaver Dam							10,000					no			no	no	no	no	no							
Beech Valley							8,000				yes	1	30	0	no	no	no	no	no							
Bethany							15,000				no			0	no	yes	no	no	no							
Bethel							11,000				yes				no	no	no	no	no							
Blowing Rock							12,000	35,000	72.00		no	1	20	30	yes	yes	no	no	no							
Boone	Ira S. Ayers, Boone, NC	103	12	0	103	12	32,000	177,000	7000	600.00	yes	1	30	no	yes	no	no	yes	no							
Brushy Fork							20,000				no	1	28	no	no	no	no	no	no							
Clark's Creek							5,000				no				no	no	no	no	no							
Cool Springs							7,000				no	1	15	no	no	no	no	no	no							
Cove Creek	Odes Wilson, Zionville, NC						6,000		300	120.00	yes	1	18	no	no	no	no	no	no							
Elk Knob							1,500				no				no	no	no	no	no							
Forest Grove							10,000				yes	1			no	no	no	no	no							
Friendship							6,000				no				no	no	yes	no	no							
Gap Creek							20,000				yes				no	no	no	no	no							
Green Valley							4,000				no				no	no	no	no	no							
Howard's Creek							4,500				no				no	no	no	no	no							
Laurel Springs							20,000				yes	2			no	no	no	no	no							
Meat Camp							8,000		150	133.80	yes	1	25	no	no	yes	no	no	no							
Mabel							8,500				yes	1	18	no	no	no	no	no	no							
Middle Fork							8,000				no	1			no	no	no	no	no							
Mountain Dale							4,000				no				no	no	no	no	no							
Mount Calvary							6,000	18,000			yes	1	30	no	yes	no	no	no	no							

**Table F CHURCH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES**

CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES.	All Receipts Through All Organizations for Year	Total Salaries (Do Not Include Pastor's Salary Here)	Maintenance, Insurance	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary (Money Paid)	Grand Total Local Expense
Antioch	M. L. Shephard, Sugar Grove, NC					91.44	95.10	115.91		142.67	395.12	571.79	967.11
Beaver Dam	Ray Swift, Reese, NC			4047.73		124.76		165.50		61.36	4399.35	596.70	4996.05
Beech Valley	Sam L. Ward, Beech Creek, NC	7474.44	76.00	71.60		50.77	30.10	121.46			349.93	257.10	607.03
Bethany	Victor Farthing, Rominger, NC		14.50	166.80		37.50	40.00	59.25			318.05	369.58	687.63
Bethel	David Farthing, Sugar Grove, NC	3388.34	180.00	34.00	1034.42	163.94	184.00	402.48		416.70	2415.54	900.00	3315.54
Blowing Rock	Mrs. J. D. Jones, Blowing Rock, NC	7886.02	165.90	2743.90	51.94	200.75		447.50	948.00	941.28	5499.27	1700.00	7199.27
Boone	James P. Marsh, Boone, NC	41868.57	6045.50	1821.65	43477.53	3555.16	2105.90	282.26	3500.00	3417.45	64205.45	5438.33	69643.78
Brushy Fork	Charlie Moody, Vilas, NC	4128.00	160.00	51.48	716.00	478.26	30.00	220.52		26.93	1683.19	1428.75	3111.94
Clark's Creek	Mrs. Basil Tester, Banner Elk, NC	809.97		21.20	131.07	48.98	82.38	60.16		32.02	375.81	300.00	675.81
Cool Springs	Mrs. Ruth Mitchell, Blowing Rock, NC		103.77	68.00		45.70	46.10	38.50			298.07	215.83	513.90
Cove Creek	Terry Adams, Vilas, NC	17561.15	360.00	129.12	11023.50	593.96	23.22	150.00	15.00	753.87	13048.67	2550.00	15598.67
Elk Knob	Lovill South, Tamarack, NC				844.00	31.58	10.00			35.54	925.12	185.00	1110.12
Forest Grove	Mrs. Minnie Johnson, Reese, NC		59.18			109.69	80.60	205.29		44.24	499.00	513.90	1012.90
Friendship	Mrs. C. C. Main, Trade, Tenn.		60.00	14.55	390.32	44.76	39.42	62.20		132.25	743.50	445.78	1189.28
Gap Creek	Mrs. G. O. Triplett, Deep Gap, NC	5093.61	52.00	58.00	3855.00	106.00	46.25	135.48		142.00	4404.94	348.67	4753.61
Green Valley	Albert Ward, Reese, NC	610.20	58.00	60.00				26.78		27.21	171.99	442.47	614.46
Howard's Creek	Grady G. Brown, Rt. 2, Boone, NC	592.31	48.00			41.14	60.25			46.38	195.77	229.23	425.00
Laurel Springs	Clifford Ray, Deep Gap, NC	2800.48		480.81	135.28	111.14	119.20	118.60		178.97	1264.00	1083.86	2347.86
Mabel	Arlene Thomas, Zionville, NC	1512.48	48.25			58.95		76.00		152.09	335.29	935.00	1270.29
Meat Camp	Ronda Carroll, Boone, NC	1872.24	120.00	41.67		119.55	94.80	151.57		163.54	691.13	540.00	1231.13
Middle Fork	Neil Ashley, Blowing Rock, NC	2005.05	120.00	380.13	1532.70	71.90		66.81	452.00	15.00	2639.04	242.00	2881.04
Mountain Dale	Collis Greene, Reese, NC		48.00	24.00	304.05	26.54	8.01	103.02			513.62	435.84	949.46
Mount Calvary	J. M. Shoemaker, Banner Elk, NC	3834.60		284.34	1165.33	104.02	24.88	20.00		13.00	1651.57	1625.00	3276.57
Mount Gilead	H. S. Greenwell, R. 1, Elk Park, NC		11.69					13.96		18.00	43.65	142.20	185.85



Mount Lebanon	Ivey Moore, Vilas, NC	56.00	30.41	887.90	135.19	124.14	45.41		12.00	1291.05	601.00	1892.05
Oak Grove	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, R.3, Boone, NC	11845.66	83.55	4079.71	446.06	330.53	95.00	2088.00	588.70	7931.55	2680.00	10611.55
Perkinsville	Hoye Greene, R1, Boone, NC	9430.85	307.28	367.07	379.40	488.46	187.50	2279.00	501.83	4822.54	2873.52	7596.06
Pleasant Grove	Everette Culler, Zionville, NC	4401.08	286.94	71.80	243.03	172.25	130.00	400.00	318.62	1982.61	1156.65	3139.26
Poplar Grove	Roy Williams, Boone, NC	2353.13	59.59		150.11		75.00		202.75	573.47	1544.40	2117.87
Proffitt Grove	Arlie Bryan, Boone, NC	1918.21	24.68	82.04	77.37	79.05	331.78		86.82	762.54	636.72	1399.26
Rich Mountain	Stacy Tester, Zionville, NC	1200.00		250.00			65.00		101.77	416.77	226.20	642.97
Rutherford	Roy W. Greer, Boone, NC	2456.61	170.43		126.60	365.68	51.75		139.26	1051.15	876.18	1927.33
Shulls Mills	Mrs. J. E. Harbin, Shulls Mills, NC	754.23			37.67	96.36	48.53		45.32	227.88	232.63	460.51
South Fork	W. G. Cook, Todd, NC	4124.52	60.00	2677.39	46.96		75.00		14.75	2874.10	534.25	3408.35
Stony Fork	Glenn Wellborn, Stony Fork, NC	201.09	228.00	236.08	179.96	225.57	175.00		107.38	1353.08	969.34	2322.42
Tabernaacle	Coy Norris, R.,1, Boone, NC	675.16	24.96		31.99		58.48		218.26	331.69	217.40	549.09
Three Forks	James Austin, Boone, NC	4598.31	693.53	482.78	334.63	245.56	443.65			2500.15	1560.00	4060.15
Timbered Ridge	Lloyd Dishman, Reese, NC		24.00		30.00				50.00	104.00	205.80	309.80
Union	Stanley Norris, Zionville, NC	1025.35	182.50		83.69	212.25	112.00			590.44	488.91	1079.35
Vanderpool	Jay Issacs, Vilas, NC		65.60	240.23	83.18		101.26			274.27	360.00	634.27
White Rock	Mrs. H. H. Shook, Banner Elk, NC	1375.41	85.33	59.07	70.04	153.68	209.81		513.21	1091.14	488.31	1579.45
Willow Dale	Fred Blair, Vilas, NC	2696.11	73.75		129.68	328.22	75.00		275.65	1000.65	1320.00	2583.15
Willow Valley	Mrs. Carlie Greene, Sugar Grove, NC	60.00			177.78	27.28	60.00		121.51	446.57	519.65	966.22
Zion Hill	Gradon Haganan, Beech Creek, NC	980.25					40.00	100.00	132.00	272.00	344.50	616.50
Zionville	Fred Castle, Zionville, NC	2249.92	435.30		132.34		86.51		22.47	676.62	629.97	1303.59
	TOTALS	146808.26	9589.33	9203.10	78152.94	9112.17	5969.24	9782.00	10212.80	137441.34	39962.46	177863.50



**Table G GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS,  
EDUCATION, ORPHANAGES, ETC.**

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Relief and Annulity, Other objects	Total Expenditure for Missions	Grand Total Expenditure for All Purposes
Antioch	Dwight Coble, Sugar Grove, NC			5.00				54.57	11.14	3.00	73.71	1040.82
Beaver Dam	C. B. Reese, Reese, NC							72.71	21.90		94.61	5090.66
Beech Valley	Sam L. Ward, Beech Creek, NC		4.00					16.28	6.88		23.16	630.19
Bethany	Russell A. Farthing, Rominger, NC		5.00	10.73		5.00		115.59	11.35		147.67	1001.17
Bethel	Howard Lawrence, Sugar Grove, NC	5.00	16.35	37.00		77.00		166.47	36.25		338.07	3661.11
Blowing Rock	Mrs. Leona H. Coffey, Blowing Rock, NC	252.17	80.50	27.79	80.16	78.36		33.50		61.15	613.63	7812.90
Boone	John Howell, Boone, NC	4825.00	300.00		68.38	1000.00	600.00	515.13	400.00	207.60	7916.11	77559.89
Brushy Fork	Minnie Dare Greene, Villas, NC	12.68	49.16	30.57	30.57	66.14	30.57	97.99	40.76	45.26	403.70	3515.64
Clark's Creek	Basil Tester, Banner Elk, NC							60.69	27.50	10.25	98.46	774.27
Cool Springs	D. W. Mitchell, Blowing Rock, NC							105.35			105.35	619.25
Cove Creek	Mrs. Grace S. Bingham, Sherwood, NC	341.81	144.00	75.00	48.16	67.80	5.00	167.07	44.65	129.23	1024.94	16623.61
Elk Knob	W. C. South, Tamarack, NC							10.30	6.00		16.30	1126.42
Forest Grove	Charles Johnson, Reese, NC	24.36						24.36	16.83		65.55	1078.45
Friendship	Don Bumgardner, Creston, NC			18.28				65.00	12.52		95.80	1285.08
Gap Creek	Russell Wellborn, Deep Gap, NC		75.00					40.00	10.00	15.00	140.00	4893.61
Green Valley	Fonzo Tester, Sugar Grove, NC								5.78		5.78	620.24
Howard's Creek	Guy H. Morris, Rt. 2, Boone, NC			11.00				75.81	7.50	11.00	105.31	530.31
Laurel Springs	Glen Ford, Rt. 1, Boone, NC	9.20	21.86	22.00	16.13	40.00		105.10	29.52		243.81	2591.67
Mabel	Lewis Burkett, Zionville, NC	20.00	15.00					89.13	30.11		154.24	1424.53
Meat Camp	Earl Greene, Rt. 2, Boone, NC		36.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	192.42	64.25	43.70	376.37	1607.50
Middle Fork	Neil Ashley, Blowing Rock, NC	26.00						44.04			70.04	2951.08
Mountain Dale	Clay Phillips, Reese, NC							38.01			38.01	987.47
Mount Calvary	Mrs. Homer Shoemaker, Banner Elk, NC	36.00		21.80	20.32	10.85		98.00	58.61	13.50	259.08	3535.65
Mount Gilead	H. S. Greenwell, R. 1, Elk Park, NC							10.00			10.00	195.85











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REV. NATHAN M. GREENE

Nathan M. Greene, pioneer preacher and servant of the Lord among the churches of the Three Forks Association, was born Sept. 28, 1875, and died Sept. 1, 1955. He is survived by his widow, the former Nannie Norris; two sons, Clyde R. and George C., of Boone; 6 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

He joined Meat Camp Baptist Church Jan. 10, 1894. He served as Sunday School Superintendent, teacher and deacon for a number of years. He was ordained to the ministry Jan. 21, 1939 and immediately began active service. He served as Associational Missionary in Three Forks for 7 years, was active in the organization of Mountain Dale, Tabernacle, Green Valley and Perkinsville churches and was the first pastor of each except Mountain Dale.

*At the Association mention was made of the critical illness of Mr. Greene; and he passed away late the day following the close of the Association. The Executive Committee recommended that the minutes of the 1955 Session be dedicated to him.*



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## COMMITTEES TO REPORT TO THE 1956 SESSION

Associational Progress.....	Clyde R. Greene & Mrs. Blanche Perry
Benevolences.....	Dwight Long & Spencer Cable
Christian Education.....	John T. Howell & A. E. Moretz
Memorial Service.....	Mrs. Betty Hughes & Mrs. Dorothy Greene
Missions.....	J. Hoyt Roberson & Homer Greene
Public Morals.....	G. C. Fox & Glenn Smith
Religious Literature.....	Wade E. Brown & Glenn Huffmar
Resolutions.....	Maurice Cooper & Grady Minton
W. M. U.....	Mrs. Ruby Michael & Mrs. Rex West

## SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

Superintendent.....	Kent K. Brown, Blowing Rock
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Junior Supt.....	Hayes Wellborn, Deep Gap
Intermediate Supt.....	Will Sanders, Zionville
Young People Supt.....	Charles Risk, Todd
Adult Supt.....	Bobby Gere, Zionville
Extension Supt.....	Mrs. R. R. Garvey, Blowing Rock
Secretary.....	Miss Alma Hodges, Boone
Publicity.....	John Davis, Boone Miss Myrtle Young, Blowing Rock

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Nominating Committee Chm. for 1956.....	Mrs. Mable Berry, Boone

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Pastor-Advisor.....	Dwight Long, Sherwood
Adult Leader.....	John B. Robinson, Boone
Young People's Leader.....	John Walser, Blowing Rock
Intermediate Leader.....	Mrs. Noga Wilson, Zionville
Junior Leader.....	Mrs. Blanche Perry, Sherwood
Story Hour Leader.....	Mrs. T. K. Pease, Boone

## ORDAINED MINISTERS

MINISTER	ADDRESS	CHURCH
Carl Wilson	Reese	Beaver Dam
Vaughn Greene (ordained this year)	Reese	Beaver Dam
E. J. Farthing	Sugar Grove	Bethel
J. H. Crisp	Lenoir	
G. Carlton Cox	Blowing Rock	Blowing Rock
L. H. Hollingsworth	Boone	Boone
D. M. Edmisten	Boone	
W. F. Smith	Boone	
John Davis (Southwide Worker)	Boone	
Grady Minton	Vilas	Brushy Fork
Ronda Earp	Vilas	
W. C. Payne	Blowing Rock	Cool Springs
Howard Shore	Lenoir	
Albert Tester	Asheville	
Edward Peterson	Lenoir	
S. Dwight Long	Sherwood	Cove Creek
Fred Hagaman	Vilas	Forest Grove
Dave Greene	Vilas	
Noah Johnson	Todd	Elk Knob
Glenn South	Trade, Tenn.	Friendship
W. C. Greene	Deep Gap	Laurel Springs
Levi Greene	Deep Gap	
Raymond Hendrix	Boone	
A. E. Moretz	Boone	Meat Camp
R. H. Shore	Blowing Rock	Middle Fork
James Matney	Cordell, Okla.	
Clyde Cornett	Reese	Mountain Dale
Glenn Gentry	Elk Park	Mount Calvary
Roby Painter	Banner Elk	
Troy Danner	Valle Crucis	Mount Lebanon
C. O. Vance	Boone	Oak Grove
Rex W. West	Boone	Perkinsville
N. M. Greene	Boone	
E. O. Gore	Zionville	Pleasant Grove
Robert Proffit	Boone	Proffit's Grove
A. B. Church	Boone	Rutherford
Bynum Trivette	Stony Fork	Stony Fork
H. H. Smith	Deep Gap	
Homer Greene	Deep Gap	Three Forks
Arant Greer	Trade, Tenn.	Union
Barney Oliver	Trade, Tenn.	
William H. Smith	Banner Elk	White Rock
Robert Allen	Banner Elk	
K. Maurice Cooper	Vilas	Willowdale
R. C. Eggers	Zionville	Zionville
Dewey Trivette	Zionville	
L. H. Hagaman	Reese	Zion Hill
Herbert McCoy (ordained this year)	Tamarack	Elk Knob

Barney Oliver	Trade, Tenn.	
William H. Smith	Banner Elk	White Rock
Robert Allen	Banner Elk	
K. Maurice Cooper	Vilas	Willowdale
R. C. Eggers	Zionville	Zionville
Dewey Trivette	Zionville	
L. H. Hagaman	Reese	Zion Hill
Herbert McCoy (ordained this year)	Tamarack	Elk Knob

## LICENTIATES

MINISTER	ADDRESS	CHURCH
George Glenn	Sugar Grove	Antioch
A. T. Watson	Rominger	Bethany
Gold Hicks	Rominger	
Earl Colvard	Vilas	Brushy Fork
Robert Greene	Banner Elk	Clark's Creek
Basil Tester	Banner Elk	
A. C. Ward	Reese	Greene Valley
John Ward	Sugar Grove	Timbered Ridge
Lawrence Greene	Banner Elk	White Rock
Paul Arnette	Banner Elk	
Oscar Ward	Sugar Grove	Willow Valley
Millard Rominger	Vilas	Forest Grove

## STUDENTS FOR THE MINISTRY

Ernest Banner, Jr.	Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary Wake Forest, N. C.	Blowing Rock
Bob Ray	Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N. C.	Boone

## MESSENGERS TO ASSOCIATION

- ANTIOCH — W. D. Harmon, M. P. Trivette, Tom Ward.  
 BEAVER DAM — Lee Swift, Clay Robinson, Sanford Creed.  
 BEECH VALLEY — Mrs. Marie Ward, Mrs. Lena Edminson, Mrs. Ella Fay Phillips.  
 BETHANY — Dexter Baird, Jim Michael, Russell Farthing.  
 BETHEL — D. F. Greene, M. H. Edmisten, Vann Farthing.  
 BLOWING ROCK — Kent K. Brown, Johnny Walser, Miss Myrtle Young,  
 Mrs. R. R. Garvey.  
 BOONE — S. C. Eggers, Wade E. Brown, Mrs. Ralph Greene.  
 BRUSHY FORK — Coy Love, Charlie Moody, Clay Greene.  
 CLARK'S CREEK — John Smith, Robert Greene, Harston Coffey.  
 COOL SPRINGS — E. E. Carlton, Howard Coffey, Mrs. Howard Coffey.  
 COVE CREEK — Mrs. Nora Wilson, Edgar Greene, James Sherwood.  
 ELK KNOB — Sam S. South, Herbert McCoy, Fred Johnson.  
 FOREST GROVE — J. G. Johnson, Scott Norris, Dana Henson.  
 FRIENDSHIP — Johnny Michael, Rufus Smith, Glenn South.  
 GAP CREEK — Russell Wellborn, A. G. Miller, Levi Cheek.  
 GREENE VALLEY — Joe Farthing, Council Harmon, A. C. Ward.  
 HOWARD'S CREEK — W. L. Tester, H. T. Miller, L. F. Cottrell.  
 LAUREL SPRINGS — Joe Coffey, Sr., Walter Greene, Clarence Greene.  
 MABEL — R. H. Townsend, Sr., Mrs. R. H. Townsend, Sr., Mrs. Clyde Wilson.  
 MEAT CAMP — Mrs. Alice Moretz, Mrs. Howard Gragg, Arnold Cooper.  
 MOUNTAIN DALE — Not Represented.  
 MOUNT CALVARY — Glenn Gentry, R. E. Smith, W. H. Shomaker, William  
 Puckett.  
 MIDDLE FORK — Blum Triplett, Perry Ashley, J. L. Shore.  
 MOUNT GILEAD — Lonnie Ward, G. M. Lawrence, Jr., Junior Turbyfill.  
 MOUNT LEBANON — John Earp, Blaine Hayes, Frank Baird.



- OAK GROVE — William Hodges, Darrell Wilson, Joseph McNeil, J. W. Norris.  
 PERKINSVILLE — Frank Triplett, Mrs. Frank Triplett, George Austin.  
 PLEASANT GROVE — Will Sanders, Boyd Cook, Mrs. Ruby Perry.  
 POPLAR GROVE — Mrs. Frank Brown, Mrs. Roosevelt Harmon, Mrs. T. C. Hodges.  
 PROFIT'S GROVE — Robert Proffit, Arlie Bryan, Herman Bryan  
 RICH MOUNTAIN — Estell Culler, Horace Moretz.  
 RUTHERWOOD — Walter C. Carroll, Mrs. Greene Carroll, Mrs. Beulah Hodges.  
 SHULLS MILLS — Miss Audrey Hatley, Miss Shirley Teague, Mrs. J. E. Harbin.  
 SOUTH FORK — Lester Moretz, Leslie E. Norris, George Miller.  
 STONY FORK — V. O. Greene, Joe L. Wellborn, Judson Greene, Ernest Greene  
 Blan Hamby.  
 TABERNACLA — Kennie Brown, Coy Norris, Mrs. Bina Norris  
 THREE FORKS — Mrs. Roby Greer, Troy Greene, Mrs. Ruby S. Michael.  
 TIMBERED RIDGE — Lloyd Dishman, John Ward, Paul Tester.  
 UNION — Bernie Oliver, Raymond Warren, Oley Eggers.  
 VANDERPOOL — Dexter Eggers, Jay Isaacs, Frank Brown.  
 WHITE ROCK — Lester Ruppard, Tom Shook, Mrs. Ruth Shook.  
 WILLOWDALE — Fred Blair, Mrs. Della Edmisten, Thiel Greene.  
 WILLOW VALLEY — Mrs. Beulah Edmisten, Custer Ward, Mrs. Gladys Ward,  
 Mrs. Ivaloe Harmon.  
 ZION HILL — Henry Hagerman, Roby Presnell, Graddon Hagaman, Luther Harmon,  
 Albert Harmon.  
 ZIONVILLE — Joe Wilson, Mrs. Opal Castle, Mrs. Georgia Miller.

## CONSTITUTION

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who, on producing letters from their respective church certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, the ministers being ex-officio.
2. In the letters from the different churches is to be expressed their numbers in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed by letter, excommunicated and dead since last Association.
3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any special power over the churches. They shall not infringe upon any right of any church in this Union.
4. The Association shall have a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and Clerk who shall be chosen annually by the suffrage of the members present.
5. New churches or any regular church of Christ being locally dismissed by letter by any sister Association upon application and delegates, shall be admitted to our Union.
6. Every church in the Association shall be entitled to representation in the Association.
7. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be once read and before it is debated the Moderator shall put it to vote, and if there is a majority for it being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and be debated, but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.
8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.
9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of their proceedings. The best method of accomplishing this purpose shall be at the direction of the future Associations.
10. We think it is absolutely necessary that we shall have an associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For the raising and supporting of which we think it to be the duty of each church in the Union to contribute annually such sums as they may think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association. The money

thus raised shall be deposited in the hands of the treasurer, appointed by the Association, who shall be accountable for the same. He shall pay the money from time to time as the Association may direct.

11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for this service.

12. The minutes of this Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

13. Amendments to plans or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association when they deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months prior notice.

14. The Association shall have power:

To provide for the general union of the Churches.

To endeavor to preserve a chain of union among the churches.

To give the churches the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

To appropriate the money contributed by the churches for an associational fund to any purpose they may think proper.

To have power to withdraw from any church in their Union who shall violate the rules of this Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

To correspond with sister Associations.

To invite any Baptist in the ministry to a seat in the Association, who may be present at the time of their sitting.

To adjourn the Association to any future time and place they may think proper and most convenient to the churches of the Union.

## RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

3. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect upon the person who spoke before him as to make remarks on his steps, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state the matter as he can do so as to give his views or ideas.

4. No person shall abruptly break or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

5. No person shall arise and speak more than three times on any one subject without liberty from the Association.

6. No member shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same or whispering in the time of public speaking.

7. No member shall address another in any other appellation than that of brother.

8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

9. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as required by the Association.

10. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any of the other members, provided the chair be filled. He shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

## BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH

Tuesday, August 30

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"And they continued steadfastly . . . in fellowship"

Acts 2 : 42

## MORNING SESSION

- 9:00—Fellowship Through Worship..... L. H. Hagaman  
 9:15—Call to Order, Adoption of Program, Recognition of Visitors  
 9:25—Report of Clerk, Roll Call of  
       Churches..... Mrs. Blanche Perry and Clyde R. Greene  
 9:45—Address of Moderator..... L. H. Hollingsworth  
 10:10—Miscellaneous Business and Appointment of Committees  
 10:30—Fellowship Through Christian Education..... G. C. Fox  
       Speaker: M. H. Kendall, Mars Hill College  
 11:00—Fellowship Through Associational Missions..... C. O. Vance  
 11:15—Fellowship Through Preaching of the Word..... C. O. Vance  
 12:00—Recess for Lunch

## AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1:00—Fellowship Through Worship..... Raymond Hendrix  
 1:10—Fellowship Through Benevolent Activity  
       (Orphanage, Hospital, Homes for Aging,  
       and Ministers' Relief)..... Dr. Ray Lawrence  
       Speaker: Dr. W. K. McGee, Baptist Hospital,  
       Winston-Salem  
 1:45—Fellowship Through Missions..... C. O. Vance  
 3:00—Adjourn

## EVENING SESSION

Perkinsville Baptist Church

- 7:15—Rev. Hoyt Roberson, Associational Missionary, Directing

## MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Wednesday, August 31

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"And they continued steadfastly . . . in fellowship"

Acts 2 : 42

## MORNING SESSION

- 9:00—Fellowship Through Worship..... Glenn Gentry  
 9:15—Report of Executive Committee..... C. J. Farthing  
 9:45—Fellowship Through Sunday School, BTU, WMU, and Brotherhood. Reports: SS—Kent Brown, BTU—Ralph Beshears, WMU—Mrs. Alfred Adams and Mrs. A. E. Moretz, and Brotherhood—Ira Ayers  
 Speaker: Hoyt Roberson, Associational Missionary,  
 Three Forks Association
- 10:30—Fellowship Through Religious  
 Literature..... Homer Greene and Maurice Cooper  
 Associational Librarian's Report..... Mrs. Blanche Perry  
 Speaker: Miss Addie Mae Cook, Library Supervisor,  
 Baptist Book Store
- 11:00—Report of Nominations Committee and Election of Officers  
 Report of Finance Committee, Resolutions Committee, and  
 Time, Place and Preacher Committee
- 11:30—Fellowship Through Preaching of the Word... Hoyt Roberson
- 12:00—Recess for Lunch

## AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1:00—Fellowship Through Worship..... Glenn Huffman  
 1:15—Report of Treasurer  
 1:25—Fellowship Through Higher Public  
 Morals..... Rex West and C. P. Calloway  
 Speaker: R. M. Hauss, Allied Church League, Shelby
- 1:55—Miscellaneous Business  
 2:15—Memorial Service Mrs. C. J. Farthing and Mrs. Ray Lawrence  
 3:00—Adjourn



Proceedings of the  
One Hundred Fifteenth Annual Session of  
Three Forks Baptist Association of N. C.  
Held With  
Bethany and Mount Calvary Baptist Churches  
Tuesday and Wednesday, August 30 and 31, 1955

*FIRST DAY*

The One Hundred Fifteenth Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina met with the Bethany Baptist Church August 30, 1955.

The session was opened at 9:10 A. M. with L. H. Hollingsworth leading the song service.

L. H. Hagaman brought the opening devotional. He read Matthew 16:13-20 and urged more zeal and interest and more dependence upon the power of God, and closed with prayer.

The moderator, L. H. Hollingsworth, called the One Hundred Fifteenth Session to order for the transaction of business. He recognized Dwight Long, chairman of the program committee, who moved the adoption of the program as printed and in the hands of the messengers with whatever changes might be necessary. The motion carried.

Mr. Hollingsworth gave a cordial welcome to all visitors. He recognized Dwight Long, Cove Creek, Glenn South, Howard's Creek, and William Smith, White Rock, who came as pastors in the association during the past year.

Thirty-four churches answered to the roll call. During the course of the sessions all but two were represented. The report on Associational Progress was postponed until later.

Dr. I. G. Greer, Chapel Hill, when recognized, brought greetings from the Baptist Orphanage explaining that gifts to the Orphanage could be sent as formerly even though the Orphanage is now in the Cooperative Program, and he said the Thanksgiving offering is as important and necessary as it ever has been. "The most important thing in the world is to make the right kind of men and women out of our boys and girls" and "The tragedy of North Carolina is its broken homes" were two significant statements he made.

C. J. Farthing, Vice-Moderator, came to the platform and presented Mr. Hollingsworth, who brought the Moderator's address. He read Romans 1:1-16, and in the course of his remarks said we should feel the same compulsion as Paul when he said "I am ready to preach," and we should pray for readiness, cast aside concern for ourselves, and face the needs of a dying world.



The following committees were appointed: Nominations—Ralph Beshears, Chairman, J. T. C. Wright, A. E. Moretz, and Mrs. James Sherwood; Finance—Maurice Cooper, Chairman, and Mrs. B. D. Clawson; Time, Place and Preacher—Roby Vines, Chairman, Mrs. Boyd Cook, and George Hagaman.

The churches were asked to increase their minute fund so that all expenses could be cared for.

The report on Christian Education was read by G. C. Fox. M. H. Kendall, Mars Hill College, spoke to the report. He brought greetings from the college which is celebrating its One Hundredth anniversary this year. Quoting Dr. Phil Elliott, he said "The total Christian Program can be found in Evangelism, Education, and Actions or Deeds." Wade E. Brown, Chairman of the Council of Christian Education for North Carolina Baptists was recognized. The report was adopted.

## REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We are Christians who have been saved and commissioned by our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore we are under His Missionary Orders: namely, "Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Matthew 28:19-20. This is the Lord's Great Commission, the greatest of all commissions, to all whom He has saved. We have accepted this Great Commission. As Missionary Baptist, Southern Baptist, North Carolina Baptist, and Three Forks Association Baptist, we are associated together, and are cooperating in Christ's great program of Christian Education.

As Southern Baptists we own and support five Southern Baptist Theological Seminaries. In addition to these, we contribute to the American Baptist Seminary for Negroes in Nashville, Tenn., and the Carver School of Missions and Social Work in Louisville, Ky. During the past school year, the total enrollment in our five Seminaries was 4,636, of whom 3,826 were ministerial students, and 810 were mission volunteers.

In our Southern Baptist Convention territory, missionary Baptists have in operation 30 senior colleges, 21 junior colleges, 8 academies, and 4 Bible schools, with a total enrollment last college year of 53,457 students, of which 6,628 are ministerial students, and 2,011 are mission volunteers.

As North Carolina Baptists, we have 2 senior colleges: Wake Forest and Meredith; and 5 junior colleges: Mars Hill, Gardner Webb, Campbell, Wingate, and Chowan. The total enrollment in these colleges during the last school year was approximately 6,000 students of which 750 are training for ministry and full time mission service. For the financial support of our Baptist colleges, we provided during the past school year \$945,000 for both operating expense and capital needs.

Three Forks Association Baptists can and should do more for our Seminaries and Colleges by praying for them, and sending to them our sons and daughters, and directing our young men and women who graduate from High School to attend one of our Christian colleges, and by supporting our Nine-Year Program of Advance through increased giving through our Cooperative Program.

Respectfully submitted,

G. Carlton Cox

Kent K. Brown

After singing "Wonderful Words of Life," C. O. Vance brought the report on Associational Missions. The report was adopted.

### ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

The Missions Committee is happy to report that the horizon of Associational Missions Work is looking brighter for the future. Many churches are supporting this work regularly, and many others have made commitments.

In cooperation with the Finance Committee, an Associational budget will be offered at this session for your approval. This budget gives all churches equal share in the work.

The Committee is glad to report that we now have an Associational Missionary. Rev. Hoyt Roberson has been secured and is now working in our midst. Mr. Roberson is serving Bethel Church on a half-time basis and is giving the rest of his time to the Associational work.

Respectfully submitted,

C. O. Vance

Wade E. Brown

John Walser

Mr. Hollingsworth presented the following ministers: J. Hoyt Robertson, new pastor of Bethel and Associational Missionary, Paul Phipps, new pastor of Meat Camp Church, Glenn Blackburn, Va., Howard Hodges, Crossnore, and Lloyd Culler, Lenoir. He also announced the evening session at Perkinsville and Wednesday's session at Mt. Calvary, urging attendance at both.

C. O. Vance came for the morning worship service. He read Revelation 1:4-20, following which the Oak Grove trio sang "I'd Rather Have Jesus." Mr. Vance took as his subject "The Triumphant Christ," bringing out the many things that should convince people that Christ is the Son of God. He closed with a note of challenge to follow the Triumphant Christ. He pronounced the benediction and thanksgiving for the noon meal.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened with a song service, followed with scripture reading, Acts 2:42-47, and comments by Raymond Hendrix. Prayer by Paul Phipps.

The announcement was made of letters received from every church except Mountain Dale, and the financial goal for expenses was about \$25.00 short.

In the absence of C. Ray Lawrence, Mrs. Blanche Perry read the report on Benevolences. The Moderator recognized James M. Hayes, Superintendent of Homes for the Aging, who spoke briefly. W. K. McGee, of Baptist Hospital, was then introduced, who spoke on Benevolent Activities. He emphasized the importance of the total program of Baptists, urging that we support all our benevolent institutions. The report was adopted.

By standing, the messengers signified that they would present Homes for the Aging, Orphanage and Hospital to their people. He

urged support through special offering: Homes for the Aging the third Sunday in February, Hospital on Mother's Day and Orphanage at Thanksgiving.

## REPORT ON BENEVOLENCES

Under the above heading, North Carolina Baptists maintain four great Christian Institutions:

1. Mills Home at Thomasville, and Kennedy Home at Kinston, care for our orphan children and provide wholesome Christian environment. Many of those cared for become the finest citizens. Our Thanksgiving offering is for the Orphanage. We covet the support of every church in the Three Forks Association for this worthy cause.

2. The Baptist Hospital is doing a marvelous work in ministering to the sick. Those who know of the services rendered there can best evaluate the worth of the Baptist Hospital. Many of our people in this Association have used the services the hospital provides. Surely, every church will show its gratitude by supporting the Baptist Hospital.

3. The Home for the Aging is another one of our institutions which has not been in existence but a short while, yet it is rapidly gaining favor among the aged. The Home for the Aging gives a sense of security and tranquility to those dear souls who are in the "sunset" of life. We need to give concern to the progress of this institution.

4. Not the least of our consideration in the Minister's Retirement Plan. In years past many of our ministers have reached old age and declining health without provision. This should not be allowed to happen to our preachers who give their very lives to the spreading of the Gospel. Every church in our Association would do a great service to provide funds for the minister's retirement.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. Ray Lawrence

C. O. Vance was recognized for the report on missions. He placed copies of the report in the hands of the messengers and asked that they take them back to their churches. Mr. Vance then read the report. Dr. E. L. Spivey, leader of State Missions, spoke to the report with an overall message on Christian missions challenging those present to do more for the sake of Christ.

## REPORT ON MISSIONS

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord." (Luke 4:18-19.) This is the program of Jesus. This was his mission. "As my Father hath sent me even so send I you." (John 20:2b.) This becomes the mission of every follower of Christ. "Missions," we are told, is the organized effort to spread Christianity. We believe that home is a good place to start but a bad place to stop. We must witness at home and at the same time abroad. "The brighter the light shines at home, the brighter it shines away from home."

For the first time in history of Southern Baptists, the number of Foreign missionaries has reached the one-thousand mark. On May 15, 1955, the number stood at 1,002.

To step up the annual number of appointments, the Foreign Missions Board is placing major emphasis on life commitment to special Christian service. Young people who feel the call of God to lifetime service will be asked to consider foreign service in harvest fields where laborers are fewest.

A summary of work done by missionaries of the Home Mission Board of the Sou-



thern Baptist Convention during 1954 indicated a total of 1,324 missionaries, 370 of whom were summer student missionaries, serving 10 weeks, or 954 regular missionaries

In the field of Direct Missions, the Home Mission Board ministers to Chinese, the deaf, French, Indians, Italians, Japanese, Russians, Spanish-speaking people, and other isolated and neglected groups. Through Rescue Missions and Good Will Centers, as well as through missions and churches, home missionaries seek to win the lost to Christ.

The Department of Co-operative Missions conducts conferences in co-operation with state convention forces and promotes city missions, rural church work, mountain missions, western and pioneer missions, a service to broken homes and juvenile delinquents, a ministry to military personnel, a trailer camp ministry, and provides a correspondence Bible course.

In Negro work, evangelism, and Jewish work the Board extends its ministry to missions of Americans in a vital service.

Other ministries of the Board include Alaska, Cuba, Panama and Canal Zone, Migrants, summer student missions and western missions.

For 30 years the Cooperative Program has been our major Southern Baptist channel of supporting all our missionary educational and benevolent work. With the dollars you give through the Cooperative Program you literally "go into all the world." You preach, teach, minister to the sick and needy, train church leaders and missionaries, and give the gospel to men of every race in our country and around the world.

Statistics reveal that Southern Baptists are growing in their stewardship more rapidly than any other major denomination in America.

Southern Baptists are growing in their support of the Cooperative Program. Although many churches still have no part in support of the program of world missions through the Cooperative Program, the number of such churches is growing smaller each year. The State office of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina reports that from August 1954 through June 1955 the churches of Three Forks Association contributed through the Cooperative Program undesignated \$6,793.93, and designated \$6,585.44, making a total of \$13,374.37. There is increasing awareness of spiritual need beyond one's own church and community. There is increasing concern about the proportion being expended on the local programs of the churches in comparison with what is given for the whole world beyond one's own church. This concern is revealed by the fact that of each dollar given we spend 86 cents on ourselves and only 14 cents is given for the whole world.

What can be done to increase our support of the local church programs and of world missions? We offer the following recommendations suggested to us by the Committee on the Cooperative Program:

1. That every church plan to observe Church and Denomination night this fall.
2. That every church plan a Stewardship Revival.
3. That every church have a budget.
4. That every church include gifts to missions through the Cooperative Program in this budget for a certain percentage of the total budget, rather than for a certain number of dollars.
5. That every church prayerfully consider increasing the percentage going to missions through the Cooperative Program each year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. O. VANCE

R. C. Eggers led the closing prayer and the session was recessed by the moderator until 7:15 p.m. at Perkinsville.

### EVENING SESSION

The evening session was held at Perkinsville church. There were representatives from 12 churches.

L. H. Hollingsworth presided and led in the song service. John Davis, student secretary of Appalachian State Teachers College,

brought the devotional.

Hoyt Roberson was presented, and he had charge of the remainder of the service.

Oak Grove quartette sang "What A Friend We Have In Jesus."

Mr. Roberson recognized Mrs. Blanche Perry, who introduced Mrs. James L. Sherwood, associate superintendent of Associational W.M.U., who spoke on the aims of the W.M.U. for the women and youth of our churches.

Wade E. Brown spoke on "The Value of Associational Missions," emphasizing the place of the associational missionary in the total plan of work in all the churches.

William Hodges led in singing of "Send the Light."

The closing remarks were by Mr. Roberson, who said that Baptists have one mission, reaching people for Christ, and they carry out that mission through Evangelism, Stewardship and Missions. Associational missions has a vital part in the total world program.

With prayer by Grady Minton, the session was recessed until Wednesday morning at Mount Calvary.

## SECOND DAY

L. H. Hollingsworth led the song service which began the second day's session at Mount Calvary Baptist Church.

Glenn Gentry led the morning devotional by reading I Corinthians 13, commenting briefly, and leading in prayer.

Mr. Hollingsworth called the session to order, and he recognized Clyde R. Greene, who brought the report on Associational Progress which had been deferred from the previous day. It was discussed by Mr. Hollingsworth and was adopted.

## REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL PROGRESS

Churches Reporting Brotherhoods . . .	4	7	Gain—	3
Brotherhood Enrollment . . . . .	148	237(RA-62)	Gain—	27
Churches Reporting Vacation				
Bible Schools . . . . .	25	25	Same	
Vacation Bible School Enrollment ..	1785	1782	Loss—	3
Churches Reporting Church Library	14	13	Loss—	1
Local Contributions . . . . .	\$177,863.50	\$117,586.26	Loss—	\$60,277.24
Missions and Benevolences . . . . .	18,400.11	20,383.58	Gain—	1,983.47
Total Contributions . . . . .	196,602.13	137,814.57	Loss—	58,787.56

Lawson Allen, acting President of Gardner-Webb College, was introduced. He brought greetings from the college.

C. J. Farthing read the report of the Executive Committee, and after a motion for adoption, it was discussed by Wade E. Brown and C. J. Farthing. The motion carried.



## REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee met five times during the past year—November 11, January 6, April 28, special called session May 7, and August 21, with an average attendance of 11.

Much of the discussions centered on the calling of an Associational Missionary which resulted in the name of Rev. J. Hoyt Roberson, Owenton, Ky., being presented at the Spring Session of the Association. Mr. Roberson was unanimously elected and began his work on a half-time basis July 1.

Plans for the programs of the Spring and Fall Sessions were made and recommendations passed to be presented to the Fall Session.

The Executive Committee of the Three Forks Baptist Association makes the following recommendations:

1. The Association is the business of all the churches and it is recommended that every pastor, as well as the messengers, make a special effort to arrange their work so they can attend all sessions of the Association.
2. That the pastors meet monthly with the Associational Missionary to plan for the promotion and progress of the work of the Kingdom of God in this Association.
3. That each church adopt an annual budget for the local and missions program of the church.
4. That each church of the Association organize and promote a Training Union, Woman's Missionary Union, and a Brotherhood, with special emphasis on the Youth Program.
5. That a committee, consisting of the Moderator, Associational Missionary, Sunday School superintendent, Training Union director, Woman's Missionary Union superintendent, and the Brotherhood president, meet at least quarterly, to plan for the promotion of these organizations.
6. That each church make a monthly contribution to support the Associational Missions program.

C. J. Farthing, Vice-Moderator, presided for the reports on Sunday School, Training Union, Woman's Missionary Union, and Brotherhood.

Kent Brown read the report on Sunday Schools.

Miss Doris Vance read the report on Training Unions.

Mrs. B. W. Stallings read the report on Woman's Missionary Unions.

The Brotherhood report was not ready, but it was to be inserted later.

## REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Bible teaches, "The entrance of thy word giveth light," and "That the word maketh people wise unto salvation," therefore, the importance of the Bible teaching ministry of the Sunday School.

The Sunday Schools have proven themselves to be a great teaching, evangelistic, enlistment, and financial agencies of the churches. We therefore have reason to rejoice in the growth and service of the Sunday Schools of the Three Forks Association.

In addition to the report to be found in the tables, we held an Association-wide training school for one week at Brushy Fork church, with Rex West teaching the book, "One to Eight." Sunday School members earned 119 training awards in 1955. We conducted 11 business and inspirational meetings; superintendent and staff members made 36 visits to Sunday Schools, and edited and distributed 10 issues of "The Hour Before Eleven."

We are working and praying for a complete well-founded Sunday School organization. We recommend that an all-out effort be made to have a Vacation Bible School in every church, have two or more Association-wide study courses, and that every Sunday

School will have at least one study course, and urge our teachers to attend the monthly meetings and get to know each other.

We recommend that the Sunday Schools use the bulletin, "The Hour Before Eleven," as a means of exchanging ideas, announcements, and information pertaining to Sunday Schools.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kent K. Brown

## REPORT OF TRAINING UNIONS

Three Forks Baptist Association now has more Training Unions in its churches than at any other time in its history. Two additional unions have been organized this year. You are to be commended, but in checking the membership we are made to realize that far too many of our churches have not availed themselves with this part of the Kingdom work.

Quarterly meetings have been held this year. "M" Night was observed last December. We held an Associational tournament last spring and as a result were represented in the district meeting at Mount Airy. A well-attended Youth Rally was held in cooperation with the simultaneous revival effort with many people rededicating themselves in the Lord's service. Training courses have been conducted in many of our churches.

The Training Union operates to train us in more effective church membership as well as to instruct us in our beliefs as Baptists. It informs us in the things we are doing as a denomination. It is not an isolated organization of the church but serves as a means of strengthening the other phases of the local church endeavors.

We sincerely recommend that all churches participating work to enlarge their unions, and that churches not participating move immediately toward availing themselves of this important work of the church life in their community, remembering and obeying the Apostle Paul's exhortation to "Put on the whole armor of God."

Respectfully submitted,  
Ralph L. Beshears

## REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The Woman's Missionary Union of Three Forks Association is composed of 15 Woman's Missionary Societies and 24 Youth organizations.

It has for its aims: To enlist women and young people in prayer, study of the missionary message of the Bible and world missions, tithes and offerings, community missions and missionary education of young people.

In our program of work this year we have conducted mission study, stewardship, and community mission courses. We have also encouraged the reading of other books on prayer, stewardship and missions.

During the year we have observed Seasons of Prayer for Foreign, Home and State missions, with a special offering for each. We also contributed to our Memorial Scholarship Fund which is used to aid one of our pastors in attending Fruitland Institute.

Our Annual Meeting was held at Boone Baptist Church. At this meeting inspiring messages were brought by our W. M. U. Field Representative, Mrs. John Wacaster, and our missionary to Japan, Mrs. Edwin Dozier.

Camp Joy is one of our greatest assets toward the spiritual growth of our young people. During the summer our Young People's Organizations have enjoyed 3-day camp sessions and special meetings at Camp Joy. The training and inspiration received there means more and better Christians.

The permanent watchword of the W. M. U. is, "Laborers together with God." And as we look forward to greater work in our Association, may we enlist and encourage more women and young people to truly become, "Laborers together with God."

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Alfred Adams  
Mrs. Arlie Moretz

## REPORT ON BAPTIST BROTHERHOODS

Our Brotherhood report shows an increase in organizations this year. We now have active work in Boone, Cove Creek, Oak Grove, Perkinsville, Poplar Grove, Rutherford, and Three Forks churches.

The most significant work of the Brotherhood this year has been joining with the Woman's Missionary Union in promotion of Royal Ambassadors. We will continue working jointly until the transfer of the work from the W. M. U. to Brotherhood is completed and Royal Ambassadors become the sole responsibility of the Brotherhood.

We are thankful for Camp Joy and for the opportunity we have in leading in the promotion and activities of it. We urge all churches to join in what we believe to be one of our Association's most important projects.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ira S. Ayers

The reports were discussed by Hoyt Roberson, who based his remarks on the Great Commission, using "World Evangelism" as his subject. He said the Christian's aim is to reach, teach, and train people, and we can do it best through Sunday Schools, Training Unions, Woman's Missionary Unions and Brotherhoods. The reports were adopted.

Mr. Hollingsworth introduced Dr. Sylvester Greene, Wake Forest College, who brought greetings from the college and words of commendation for Dr. William Plemmons, new president of Appalachian State Teachers College.

Homer Greene read and discussed the report on Christian Literature. Mrs. Blanche Perry read the report on Church Libraries. Miss Addie Mae Cook, Church Library Consultant for North Carolina, spoke to both reports and called attention to the book display in the auditorium. The reports were adopted.

## REPORT ON CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

One of God's greatest gifts to man is the ability to read and write, to express his thoughts by visible symbols through which he could have a useful record of his mental, moral, spiritual, and physical progress. If the ability to read should be taken away, man would be poor indeed.

The moral of our people today is at a low ebb. The flood of bad literature has spread over our land, and very often finds its way into Baptist homes. Its pages are filled with seeds of evil. There are but two agencies that can be depended upon to promote the reading of literature that tends to build a spiritual and moral life: the Christian home and the church. If these two divine institutions fail in their responsibility, how shall we expect our people, both young and old, to meet the issues and problems of life with high spiritual and moral ideals?

The literature we read determines in a measure our usefulness in life. Therefore we urge our people to select only the best, that which informs, inspires, and builds character. In a united effort let us send the written word into every home, challenging the souls of God's people.

Respectfully submitted,  
Maurice Cooper  
Homer Greene

## REPORT ON CHURCH LIBRARIES

This report is incomplete because of the failure of Church Librarians to send

statistics but of the 13 libraries reported in the tables, 9 reported 2426 books, 2812 books being used and 302 readers.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Blanche Perry

Being time for the election of officers, Mr. Hollingsworth called for nominations for Moderator. C. J. Farthing presented the name of the present moderator, L. H. Hollingsworth. Clyde R. Greene presided and there being no other nominations, C. J. Farthing cast the vote of the Association for Mr. Hollingsworth. C. J. Farthing, Vice-Moderator, Mrs. Blanche Perry, Clerk, and Clyde R. Greene, Treasurer, were all elected unanimously.

Dr. J. T. C. Wright read the report of the Nominations Committee. The report was adopted and those named duly elected. This report is found in the Associational Directory.

Mrs. B. D. Clawson read the report of the Finance Committee. It was discussed by L. H. Hollingsworth and adopted.

#### REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Received from the churches—

\$356.75

Paid to Treasurer—

356.75

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. B. D. Clawson  
Maurice Cooper

Wade E. Brown reported for the Resolutions Committee.

#### REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

The One Hundred Fifteenth Session of our Association has been most inspiring and challenging. We desire to express our appreciation to the people of Bethany and Mount Calvary Baptist churches for their hospitality, to the Program committee for the well-planned program, to our officers for their services rendered throughout the year, and to anyone who had any part on the program or in any way contributed to it. May we be more dedicated to the task of giving Christ to the world, beginning in Three Forks Association, because of our fellowship with each other these days.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wade E. Brown

The recommendations of the Finance Committee was made by Clyde R. Greene. A proposed budget for 1955-1956 was presented, discussed, and adopted.



## SUGGESTED BUDGET FOR 1955-1956

Estimated Receipts .....		\$5,902.00
Expenditure:		
Associational Missionary's Salary .....	1,800.00	
Expenses.....	600.00	
Retirement .....	120.00	
Convention Expenses .....	150.00	2,670.00
Camp Joy:		
Buildings and Upkeep .....		2,532.00
Printing and Distributing Minutes .....	400.00	
Clerk .....	50.00	
Sunday School .....	25.00	
Vacation Bible Schools .....	150.00	
Training Union .....	25.00	
Brotherhood .....	25.00	
Womans Missionary Union .....	25.00	700.00
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		\$5,902.00

The suggested table showing how this amount could be raised is found with the Tables.

After a song, J. Hoyt Roberson led the congregation in worship. He read Titus 3:1-8, and he spoke upon the difference Christ makes when He comes into a life. In his closing prayer, he expressed thanksgiving for the noon meal which followed immediately.

## AFTERNOON SESSION

Following the song service, L. H. Hollingsworth led the devotional period. The twenty-third Psalm was read responsively, and E. J. Farthing led in prayer.

The reports of the treasurers were made by Clyde R. Greene and Mrs. Blanche Perry, and they were adopted as made.

## ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS FUND

From August 24, 1954 to August 30, 1955

## RECEIPTS:

Balance August 24, 1954 .....		\$ 406.03
Received from the		
following churches:		
Blowing Rock .....	121.00	
Boone .....	475.00	
Brushy Fork .....	93.85	
Cove Creek .....	120.00	
Oak Grove .....	165.00	



Mabel .....	5.00	
Meat Camp .....	20.00	
Poplar Grove .....	25.00	
Proffit Grove .....	25.00	1,050.00
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Received from		
J. Hoyt Roberson .....		25.00
Received from State Convention:		
Vacation Bible Schools .....	47.02	
Associational Missionary .....	100.00	147.02
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Total Receipts		\$1,628.10
Paid Out		
Vacation Bible Schools .....	47.02	
Minute Funds .....	64.43	
Traveling Expenses		
Mr. Roberson .....	75.00	
July Salary Mr. Roberson .....	250.00	
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Total Paid Out .....		436.45
Balance in Treasury .....		\$1,191.65
Clyde R. Greene, Treasurer		
Received from Churches .....		\$ 342.47
From Associational Fund .....		64.43
Total Receipts .....		\$ 406.90
Paid Out—		
Printing of Minutes .....		356.90
Clerk .....		50.00
Total Paid Out .....		\$ 406.90
Balance in Treasury .....		\$ 00
Mrs. Blanche Perry, Treasurer		

In the absence of Rex West, Mrs. Blanche Perry read the report on Public Morals. It was discussed by Wade E. Brown from a lawyer's viewpoint, Grady Minton from a pastor's viewpoint, R. C. Eggers, E. J. Farthing, and L. H. Hollingsworth. The report was adopted.

### REPORT ON PUBLIC MORALS

We have come again to report the devastating action of Satan's forces upon the lives of our society. One of the evils of our modern day is beverage alcohol. Legal control in our county is to be commended, but is insufficient as laws are broken as well as hearts and homes as a result of beverage alcohol. Through the improved media of modern advertising technique, the liquor forces are holding before the eyes of our people and pouring into their ears glaring misrepresentations about liquor and drinking which multitudes of our people have taken to be true. Only the widespread information of accurate knowledge about this drug can ever counteract this advertising by the liquor

forces of our nation.

We make no apology for the claim that the Christian gospel is the greatest force at our disposal for the redemption of the individual and the defeat of evils in human society. The gospel is both preventive and curative and should be proclaimed extensively and boldly. The manufacture, sale and use of alcoholic beverages is a giant dope racket that operates from behind a respectable business front under the protection of the laws that our citizens have permitted to be enacted. But for every dollar of liquor revenue received we pay ten dollars for crime, wrecks, and property damage legally laid to liquor as the primary cause. Added to this is moral degeneracy and ruin, for which liquor has been held responsible.

The fight against this enemy is not a battle; it is a war. And it is one in which the forces of righteousness in this nation can accept no armistice nor agree to any compromise.

Another factor in public morals is the increase of juvenile delinquency. The law enforcement officers and juvenile courts of our land are dealing with cases which pertain to juveniles, in numbers astounding.

Much obscene literature is also hitting the newsstands of our Nation and may, in many cases, come into the homes and lives of our own people. This literature carries a display of sex provocation such as to be found nowhere else in the world. This could lead to the destruction of our nation morally, physically and spiritually, for the judgment of God has been meted out to other peoples and nations for the same and similar sins.

Last, but not least, is the evil of gambling which is being participated in by fifty millions of adults and larger numbers of minors. The evil of gambling spreads from very small beginnings. Sometimes it is the result of an easy tolerance in both home and church toward games of chance, raffles, etc. What many may call an innocent past-time of penny ante, matching for a Coke, social card games and the so-called harmless appearing game of Bingo, can become the spark of a consuming fire to others, if not to you.

Our Sunday School lessons for the remainder of this year and all of 1956, will be based upon the theme "Crusade for Christian Morality." We trust that our churches will urge all their constituency to attend every Sunday in this series of Study and apply the teachings of God's Word to their lives, which is the only answer to improvement of Public Morals.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rex W. West  
C. P. Calloway

The report on Time, Place and Preacher was adopted as read by George Hagaman.

Time—Tuesday and Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in August, 1956.

Place—Pleasant Grove, first day; and Bethel, second day.

Preacher—R. C. Eggers, first day; Alternate, Glenn South; Glenn Gentry, second day; Alternate, Maurice Cooper.

Place for Spring Session—Howards Creek. Date to be set later.

Preacher—Dwight Long; Alternate, Paul Phipps.

Respectfully submitted,  
W. R. Vines  
G. P. Hagaman

The report on Camp Joy was read and discussed by Mrs. Nora Wilson, Camp Director. Report adopted.

## REPORT OF CAMP JOY

"Live Christ," the camp theme for 1955 is our aim in all the activities of Camp Joy. We appreciate your demonstration of the love of the Living Christ as you pray and give of yourselves and money that the camp may grow and render a greater service.

The Lord marvelously blessed the youth camps this year in the quality of workers and campers, in the activities and spirit manifested. There were 37 decisions for Christ: 8 accepting Him as Saviour and 29 rededications and commitments, many of these feeling God's call for foreign mission service. The offering for missions was \$44.82. In the table on Camp Joy you will find more information concerning these camps and other phases of Camp Joy. We are most grateful for the blessings of the Lord, for everyone who rendered service in any way.

Plans are being made for six youth camps in 1956: a one-day Sunbeam camp for boys and girls, ages 4-8; a Y.W.A. camp for girls 16 years and above; a camp for each of these age groups—9-11 year girls, 12-15 year girls, 9-11 year boys, and 12-15 year boys. Each of these four camps will run from Monday through Friday. Dates and other information will be announced later. The camps are for all boys and girls who want to come, and we hope that every church in Three Forks Association will be represented in the 1956 camps. We also appeal to our Christian men and women to volunteer their services as camp counselors. We need at least 42 for the six camps. We are confident that you will experience great joy in working with the youth in our camps.

At the camp planning meeting, August 25, 1955, the following Camp Joy regulations, applicable to all groups using the camp, were discussed and approved:

1. No marring or destruction in any way of the camp buildings, equipment, grounds, and surroundings.
2. Report any damage, breakage, or disturbance to associational camp director.
3. Be responsible for any damage or breakage while at camp.
4. Keep grounds clean and free from trash at all times.
5. Campers are not to be upon the roads unnecessarily.
6. No questionable activities.
7. No mixed groups sleeping in any of the buildings.
8. Quiet from 10 p. m. to 6:30 a. m.
9. Overnight camp capacity is 50. Upon request 60 might be allowed.
10. Those working in the kitchen during camps should have food handlers health certificates.
11. Keep garbage, cans, papers, etc. in covered containers outside the kitchen.
12. Leave buildings and all equipment in good and sanitary condition.

The camp is to be used for religious purposes. Let's keep it Christian.

Let us pray, plan, and proceed in the development and activities of Camp Joy. "For ye serve the Lord Christ."

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Nora Wilson

Mrs. C. J. Farthing led in the Memorial Service. After the reading of the names of "Our Beloved Dead" the congregation stood and sang softly, "What A Friend We Have In Jesus," and R. C. Eggers led in prayer.

L. H. Hollingsworth expressed appreciation to the program committee, everyone who had part on the program or in any way contributed to it, and to Bethany, Perkinsville, and Mount Calvary Churches, in which the sessions were held. He then declared the One Hundred Fifteenth Session completed and adjourned until called back into session for the transaction of business.

"Blest Be the Tie" was sung as the benediction.

## OUR BELOVED DEAD

Antioch	Mrs. Channie Hardin	Mr. Russell Guy
Mr. N. L. Glenn	Mr. Austin Clawson	Poplar Grove
Beaver Dam	Mrs. Dare Matheson	Mr. Lander Winkler
Mr. Frank Wilson	Mrs. Emma Greer	Proffit's Grove
Mr. Albert Huffman	Mabel	Deacon David Michael
Bethel	Mr. Glenn Anderson	R'ch Mountain
Mrs. Jane Eggers	Meat Camp	Mr. Frank Teague
Mr. Carl Matheson	Deacon R. A. Brown	Rutherford
Mrs. Emma Shell	Mr. Frank Ragan	Miss Annie Ragan
Mrs. Ari Wilson Walker	Mr. C. C. Greene	Mrs. Nannie Cook
Mrs. Sarah Perry	Deacon H. S. Jones	Stony Fork
Boone	Mr. C. G. Lewis	Mrs. Ida Miller
Mrs. R. S. Swift	Mr. D. L. Setzer	Mr. Gurney Greene
Brushy Fork	Middle Fork	Deacon D. L. Wellborn
Deacon Joseph Hayes	Deacon James C. Ashley	Mr. Mark Holtzclaw
Mr. J. Frank Wilson	Mount Gilead	Timbered Ridge
Clark's Creek	Mrs. Nettie Belle Reese	Mr. Ray Hammond
Mrs. W. G. Coffey	Mrs. Mary Fletcher	Union
Cool Springs	Mount Lebanon	Mrs. Maggle Oliver
Mrs. Mary Pennell	Mr. Bob Coleman	Mr. Charles Greer
Elk Knob	Oak Grove	Mr. Gene Thomas
Mr. Wesley Sluder	Mr. Jim Brown	Willowdale
Gap Creek	Mrs. Lillie Colvard	Mrs. W. W. Campbell
Mrs. Rosa Call	Mr. Ernest C. Hodges	Mrs. Mollie Stout
Green Valley	Pleasant Grove	Zionville
Deac. W. Y. Smitherman	Mrs. Sarah Ann Greer	Mrs. Debbie Brown
Howard's Creek	Mrs. Della Mitchell	Mrs. Alice Miller
Mr. Henry Greene	Mr. Will Bryant	Mrs. Lennie Moretz
Laurel Springs	Mr. Newton Greene	Mrs. Minnie Wilson

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPRING SESSION OF THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Spring Session of Three Forks Baptist Association met with Cove Creek Church May 24, 1955.

To get the people into the spirit of worship, Miss Joyce Perry played soft organ music, and L. H. Hollingsworth read Psalm 100 as a call to worship.

After a song service led by Mr. Hollingsworth, E. O. Gore read I Corinthians 3:9-23 and led in prayer.

L. H. Hollingsworth, moderator, declared the Spring Session in order, expressed appreciation to Cove Creek Church and its pastor for the privilege of meeting there, and recognized the visitors present: Rev. Elliott Hayes, Newland; Rev. Hoyt Roberson, Kentucky; Rev. Lloyd Culler and Rev. Will Bolick, Lenoir; Mrs. Selma Fuller, Mountain City, Tenn.

Mr. Hollingsworth introduced Rev. Hoyt Roberson, Associational Missionary, Owen County, Ky., who, in speaking on "Evangelism Defined" was following the theme of the program, "Conserving the Results of Evangelism." He read Matthew 28:19-20, defined evangel-



ism, gave the basic beliefs in evangelism and stressed that preaching, prayer, compassion, personal evangelism, and the power of the Holy Spirit were necessary factors in evangelism.

After a song, Dwight Long, pastor of Cove Creek Church, spoke on "After Baptism, What?" Referring to Matthew 28:20 he said that after baptism every new church member should be enlisted and enrolled in Sunday School, Training Union, missionary organizations of the church, and taught true Christian church discipline and urged to practice it.

A change was necessary in the program because of the inability of some to be present. Instead of the planned panel discussion, Mr. Hollingsworth spoke on "Conserving the Results of Evangelism." He mentioned the more important places he would visit on his trip to the Baptist World Alliance, London, in July, his tour of foreign countries, and the short time it would take to reach all of them, using it as proof that we could take the gospel to every person in the world if we wanted to. He said our greatest problem was not in lack of evangelism, but in losing those we have won because we have failed to enlist and use them. Evangelism is not a complete thing until the life as well as the soul has been redeemed.

Because of the unavoidable absence of Homer Greene, who was to have brought the sermon, and Howard Hodges, alternate, G. C. Cox, pastor of Blowing Rock Church, closed the morning session with his message, "Witnesses for Christ." After reading from Luke 24 and Acts 1 and 2, he emphasized that God has chosen us to be his witnesses, and what we are, do, say, and go, witness either for or against Him. We cannot all be great, but we can be faithful. If we go in the power of the Holy Spirit, conviction and repentance will follow.

Dwight Long pronounced the benediction and included thanks for the lunch which followed.

### Lunch

The afternoon session was opened with organ music by Mrs. James B. Mast.

L. H. Hollingsworth led the singing of "Heavenly Sunlight" and C. J. Farthing led in prayer.

Contrary to the usual custom, because of necessity, two items of business were disposed of.

Mr. Hollingsworth referred to the action of the Association in its Fall Session 1954, when a joint committee, composed of the Executive, Finance, and Missions committees, was empowered to investigate, contact, and call an Associational Missionary. He told of the activity of this committee which led eventually to the con-



sideration of Rev. Hoyt Roberson. After careful investigation as to the personal qualifications of Mr. Robertson and the type of work he had done as Associational Missionary in Kentucky, he was asked to come for a conference. He appeared before the committee, preached at Oak Grove and Bethel, making a very favorable impression on all who heard him. He was called as pastor of Bethel church, and if he came, would serve as half-time pastor and half-time missionary. The joint committee, since it was so near the time for the spring session of the association, brought it to the association that as a body it might extend the call. G. C. Cox made the motion that the report of the committee be accepted and the call extended to Mr. Roberson. A. E. Moretz seconded the motion. After discussion by Wade E. Brown, C. J. Farthing, G. C. Cox and L. H. Hollingsworth, a standing vote was called for, and it was unanimous.

Mr. Hollingsworth then told of the request of Myers Park Baptist Church, Charlotte, through Mrs. Lowery, for permission to use Camp Joy for one week, preferably in August, for a camp for underprivileged Negro children. C. J. Farthing made the motion that the use of the camp be granted this group, without charge, with final arrangements to be made through Mrs. Nora Wilson, camp director. Mrs. Ethel Hodges seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Nora Wilson made an announcement of the opening of Camp Joy for the summer on June 17 with a covered dish supper to which everyone who cared to come was invited. Also, she gave the dates for the camps for the boys and girls which would be held in June and July.

Mr. Roberson came back into the assembly, after having been notified of its action, and expressed appreciation for the action taken, and, although he had already been giving it prayerful consideration, he asked that he be given a few more days before giving a definite answer. He promised an answer by the end of the week, and if he came he would begin his work July 1.

Mr. Hollingsworth commended those churches which were giving regularly and systematically to the associational missions fund and, he urged all others to begin doing something in regard to it at once.

The session was brought to a close with prayer by Hoyt Roberson.

## MINUTES OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The forty-second Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Three Forks Baptist Association was held at the Boone Baptist Church March 31, 1955, using the theme, "Go Quickly and Tell."

The meeting was opened at 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon with Mrs. Blanche Perry, Superintendent, presiding.

Mrs. Graydon Eggers brought a spirit of worship to the group by soft organ music, after which the meeting was opened by singing, "I Love To Tell the Story." Devotional thoughts on the scripture passage, Matthew 28: 19-20, were given by Mrs. Herman Eggers, of the Boone W. M. S. Mrs. Eggers also led in prayer.

We were greatly privileged to have with us Mrs. John Wacaster, State WMU Worker and Mrs. Edwin Dozier, Missionary to Japan, and the following pastors: C. O. Vance, Dwight Long, and Raymond Hendrix.

Mrs. Kathleen B. Ward gave a report on the Regional WMU and Carver Memorial Fund. The WMU women gave \$1000 on a room at the Baptist Hospital.

Mrs. Johnnie Sherwood reported that one new society has been gained in our association this year and we have a goal of two new societies next year. We have three fully graded churches and have gained fifty-five members this year.

There were reports by the chairmen of the committees of all phases of the work, "Telling the Story" Through Study, Through Community Missions and Through Stewardship of Possessions.

After the hymn, "We've A Story To Tell," Mrs. Alfred T. Adams gave a report "Telling the Story" Through the Margaret Fund and Carver School of Missions. We have eight Margaret Fund Students as follows: three at Mars Hill, two at Wake Forest, one at Wingate Junior College, one at the South-Western Seminary and one high school student.

Mrs. Fred Edmisten gave the report of the obituary committee:

### IN MEMORIAM

The past year our Heavenly Father has called from our members the following: Mrs. Chanie E. Hardin, Laurel Springs; Mrs. Mollie Stout, Willowdale; and Mrs. Ida Miller, Stony Fork. We are thankful for the lives of these our sisters and may we stand for a moment of silent meditation in memory of them.

Respectfully Submitted,  
The Obituary Committee

The Time and Place Committee reported that the next annual session would be held at the Three Forks Church. The time to be announced later.

The report of the nominating committee was given by Mrs. R. R. Garvey in the absence of Mrs. Clara Brown:

Superintendent .....	Mrs. Blanche Perry
Assistant Superintendent .....	Mrs. Johnny Sherwood
Secretary and Treasurer .....	Mrs. Alma Hodges
Mission Study Chairman .....	Mrs. Ruth Greer
Community Missions Chairman .....	Mrs. Ethel Hodges
Literature Chairman .....	Mrs. Addie Clawson
Stewardship Committee .....	Mrs. Maxie Edmisten
Margaret Fund—Carver School Chairman .....	Mrs. Daisy Adams
Young People's Leader .....	Mrs. Nora Wilson
Y. W. A. Leader .....	Mrs. Kathleen Ward
G. A. Leader .....	Mrs. Mack Austin
R. A. Leader .....	Mr. John Ward
Sunbeam Leader .....	Mrs. Hayes Wellborn

Mrs. John Wacaster presided during the installation of officers and led the dedicatory prayer.

The group then sang "O Zion, Haste."

The roll call of societies found Blowing Rock with 20 members present; Boone 36; Brushy Fork 5; Cove Creek 33; Laurel Springs 4; Oak Grove 23; Perkinsville 17; Poplar Grove 10; Rutherwood 2; Stony Fork 12; Three Forks 4; Willowdale 2; visitors 4; making a total of 170 present. The offering was \$28.00.

After special music by the Perkinsville Quartet, Mrs. John Wacaster gave an inspiring message on the subject "Go Quickly and Tell." She said, "We have a message to tell because God commands it in Matthew 28:19-20. The message has been given to us to go and tell to the millions who have not heard. Missions can change the world, if we will do our part to go quickly and tell."

The afternoon session was closed with prayer by Mrs. Wacaster, who also gave thanks for the evening meal that was prepared and served by the host church.

### NIGHT SESSION

After a most delicious supper the group was called in for worship by soft organ music rendered by Mrs. Graden Eggers. The congregation joined in singing the hymn, "Send the Light," and scripture was given by the Y.W.A.'s of the Boone church, followed by prayer.

A short program on "Telling the story to our youth" was given

by the Associational Youth Leaders along with pictures of Camp Joy and Young People's work, given by Mrs. Nora Wilson and Mrs. Blanche Perry. An impressive closing was given by all of the young people singing "Jesus Saves."

The following report was given by the Appreciation Committee: "We extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to the Women's Missionary Union of Boone Baptist Church for their hospitality shown us through this meeting, to those who have planned and participated in this program and to Mrs. John Wacaster and Mrs. Edwin Dozier, guest speakers."

The treasurer's report was as follows:

Balance in Treasury March 31, 1955 .....	\$16.60
Received for W.M.U. Expense Fund .....	66.75
Total	\$83.35

Paid Out:

Mrs. Edwin C. Dozier .....	\$15.00	
Mrs. Blanche Perry, WMU Expense .....	15.90	
Alma Hodges, Postage, etc. ....	3.35	
Kathleen Ward, Divisional Dues .....	14.00	47.35
Cash on Hand		\$36.00

Memorial Fund

Balance in Treasury .....	\$47.61
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Paid out:

Howard Hodges .....	\$11.25	
Gene Sherwood .....	11.25	
Victor Trivett .....	11.25	
Raymond Hendrix .....	11.25	45.00
		\$ 2.61
Received at Annual Meeting		28.00
Balance in Memorial Fund		\$30.61

Mrs. Edwin Dozier, our Missionary Guest from Japan, gave a challenging message on "Telling the Story In Japan." She pointed out that in Japan the story needs to be told and that we are to have a spirit of power and love. The only thing that will last in Japan is the message of God.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Mrs. Dozier.

Mrs. Blanche Perry, Superintendent  
Alma G. Hodges, Secretary



## HISTORIAL TABLE OF THE THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Place of meeting of each Session with names of Moderators, Clerks and Preachers

Year	Church	Moderator	Clerk	Preacher
1841	Three Forks of S. F.	Isaiah Wilcoxon	Richard Gentry	
1842	Beaver Creek	Isaiah Wilcoxon	Richard Gentry	Brazilla McBride
1843	Roans Creek	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Richard Gentry
1844	South Fork	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Brazilla McBride
1845	Three Forks of N.F.	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	R. P. Farthing
1846	Bear Creek	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Richard Gentry
1847	Ebenezer	Brazilla McBride	John Cook	Joseph Harrison
1848	Three Forks of S.F.	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Brazilla McBride
1849	North Fork	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Richard Gentry
1850	Gap Creek	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Brazilla McBride
1851	Pine Grove	Brazilla McBride	John Cook	Joseph Harrison
1852	Cove Creek	Brazilla McBride	John Cook	Larkin Hodges
1853	Horse Creek	Brazilla McBride	John Cook	J. A. Farthing
1854	Old Fields	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	Jesse Farmer
1855	Roans Creek	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	A. C. Farthing
1856	Antioch	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	Larkin Hodges
1857	Meat Camp	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	J. A. Farthing
1858	South Fork	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	John Cook
1859	Three Forks of N.F.	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	Joseph Harrison
1860	Bethel	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	Wm. Wilcoxon
1861	Three Forks of S.F.	J. A. Farthing	Rufus Moore	D. C. Harmon
1862	Gap Creek	J. A. Farthing	Rufus Moore	A. C. Farthing
1863	Ebenezer	J. A. Farthing	Rufus Moore	J. A. Farthing
1864	Cove Creek	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	R. P. Farthing
1865	Mulberry	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	S. J. Farthing
1866	Meat Camp	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	A. C. Farthing
1867	Brushy Fork	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	D. C. Harmon
1868	Globe	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	L. L. Maples
1869	Bethel	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	Jobe Moore
1870	Three Forks	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	D. C. Harmon
1871	Yadkin	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	R. P. Farthing
1872	Antioch	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	A. C. Farthing
1873	Meat Camp	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	T. F. Nelson
1874	Mulberry	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	A. C. Farthing
1875	Mount Zion	D. C. Harmon	L. L. Greene	D. C. Harmon
1876	Mount Pleasant	D. C. Harmon	L. L. Greene	J. M. Hall
1877	Globe	D. C. Harmon	L. L. Greene	J. A. Farthing
1878	Cove Creek	A. C. Farthing	Hiram McBride	W. D. Brown
1879	South Fork	A. C. Farthing	Hiram McBride	Asa Brown
1880	Pisgah	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	D. C. Harmon
1881	Brushy Fork	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	E. F. Jones
1882	Flat Top	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	D. C. Harmon
1883	Mulberry	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	A. C. Farthing
1884	Bethel	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	E. F. Jones
1885	Three Forks	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	J. J. L. Sherwood
1886	Laurel Springs	A. C. Farthing	J. J. T. Reese	J. W. Thomas
1887	Beaver Dam	A. C. Farthing	J. J. T. Reese	J. M. Harmon
1888	Boone	A. C. Farthing	J. J. T. Reese	J. H. Farthing
1889	Mount Zion	A. C. Farthing	Jacob Younce	David Greene
1890	Three Forks	A. C. Farthing	Jacob Younce	J. J. L. Sherwood
1891	Mount Gilead	A. C. Farthing	Jacob Younce	J. F. Davis
1892	Meat Camp	W. S. Farthing	Jacob Younce	Dr. C. E. Taylor
1893	Antioch	W. S. Farthing	Jacob Younce	J. H. Farthing
1894	Gap Creek	J. F. Spainhour	Jacob Younce	Dr. C. Durham
1895	Cove Creek	W. S. Farthing	Jacob Younce	L. A. Wilson
1899	South Fork	W. S. Farthing	Jacob Younce	J. E. White
1897	Brushy Fork	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	J. H. Farthing



1898	Cool Springs	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	David Greene
1899	Beech Mountain	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	L. C. Wilson
1900	Laurel Springs	J. A. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	L. C. Wilson
1901	Bethel	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	J. M. Payne
1902	Flat Top	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	D. C. Harmon
1903	Zion Hill	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	Solomon Younce
1904	Elk Valley	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	J. F. Miller
1905	Pleasant Grove	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	C. S. Farthing
1906	Shulls Mills	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	David Greene
1907	Boone	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	C. S. Farthing
1908	Forest Grove	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	J. M. Payne
1909	Howard's Creek	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	D. A. Greene
1910	Beaver Dam	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	J. M. Payne
1911	Mount Calvary	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	G. W. Trivette
1912	South Fork	J. J. L. Sherwood	Smith Hagaman	J. J. L. Sherwood
1913	Cove Creek	J. J. L. Sherwood	Smith Hagaman	J. F. Eller
1914	Meat Camp	J. J. L. Sherwood	Smith Hagaman	J. M. Payne
1915	Zionville	J. J. L. Sherwood	W. Y. Perry	L. A. Wilson
1916	Stony Fork	J. J. L. Sherwood	W. Y. Perry	J. F. Eller
1917	Antioch	J. J. L. Sherwood	W. Y. Perry	L. C. Wilson
1918	Bethel	Smith Hagaman	W. Y. Perry	Wellington Swift
1919	Union	Smith Hagaman	W. Y. Perry	R. C. Eggers
1920	Gap Creek	Smith Hagaman	W. Y. Perry	R. C. Eggers
1921	Brushy Fork	Smith Hagaman	W. Y. Perry	F. M. Huggins
1922	Timbered Ridge	Smith Hagaman	W. Y. Perry	L. C. Wilson
1923	Laurel Springs	Smith Hagaman	W. Y. Perry	R. C. Eggers
1924	Pleasant Grove	Smith Hagaman	W. Y. Perry	Roy Dotson
1925	Three Forks	Smith Hagaman	W. Y. Perry	F. M. Huggins
1926	South Fork	Smith Hagaman	W. Y. Perry	E. J. Farthing
1927	Zion Hill	Smith Hagaman	W. Y. Perry	Braxton Craig
1928	Middle Fork	I. G. Greer	W. Y. Perry	L. A. Hurst
1929	Shulls Mills	I. G. Greer	W. Y. Perry	P. A. Hicks
1930	Mount Lebanon	I. G. Greer	W. Y. Perry	A. J. Greene
1931	Meat Camp	I. G. Greer	W. Y. Perry	Roy Dotson
1932	Bethany	I. G. Greer	W. Y. Perry	J. A. McKaughan
1933	South Fork	W. D. Farthing	W. Y. Perry	W. D. Ashley
1934	Beaver Dam	W. D. Farthing	Dean Swift	A. J. Greene
1935	Brushy Fork	W. D. Farthing	Clyde R. Greene	W. R. Davis
1936	Zionville	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	J. C. Canipe
1937	Howard's Creek	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	W. C. Payne
1938	Oak Grove	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	Philip Fletcher
1939	Cove Creek	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	D. M. Edmisten
1940	Three Forks	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	G. A. Hamby
1941	Pleasant Grove	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	J. C. Canipe
1942	Mount Calvary	S. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	H. K. Middleton
1943	Clark's Creek	S. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	Vilas Minton
1944	Bethel	S. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	Raymond Hendrix
1945	Boone	J. C. Canipe	Clyde R. Greene	Ben Lee Ray
1946	Rutherford	H. K. Middleton	Clyde R. Greene	Lawrence Hagaman
1947	Willowdale	H. K. Middleton	Clyde R. Greene	W. D. Ashley
1948	Laurel Springs	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	Oscar J. Harris
1949	Zionville and Forest Grove	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	Ronda Earp
1950	Perkinsville and Three Forks	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	Raymond Hendrix
1951	Beech Valley and Poplar Grove	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	A. C. Moody
1952	Mabel and Union	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	Harold Sonner
1953	South Fork and Green Valley	R. C. Eggers	Clyde R. Greene	Victor Trivette
1954	Oak Grove and Boone	L. H. Hollingsworth	Mrs. Blanche Perry	E. O. Gore
1955	Bethany and Mount Calvary	L. H. Hollingsworth	Mrs. Blanche Perry	C. O. Vance

## SUGGESTED BUDGET FOR 1955-1956

Name of Church	Amount Suggested	Amount Suggested	Amount Suggested
	Per Month Per Member	Per Month Per Church	For Year
Antioch	5c	\$10.00	\$120.00
Beaver Dam	5c	12.00	144.00
Beech Valley	5c	4.50	52.00
Bethany	5c	6.00	72.00
Bethel	5c	12.00	144.00
Blowing Rock	8c	16.00	192.00
Boone	10c	110.00	1320.00
Brushy Fork	8c	15.00	180.00
Clark's Creek	5c	5.00	60.00
Cool Springs	5c	6.00	72.00
Cove Creek	8c	20.00	240.00
Elk Knob	5c	3.00	36.00
Forest Grove	5c	8.00	96.00
Friendship	5c	4.00	48.00
Gap Creek	5c	5.00	60.00
Green Valley	5c	5.00	60.00
Howard's Creek	5c	6.00	72.00
Laurel Springs	5c	15.00	180.00
Meat Camp	5c	12.00	144.00
Mabel	5c	3.00	36.00
Middle Fork	5c	8.00	96.00
Mountain Dale	5c	5.00	60.00
Mount Calvary	5c	12.00	144.00
Mount Gilead	5c	4.00	48.00
Mount Lebanon	5c	10.00	120.00
Oak Grove	8c	20.00	240.00
Perkinsville	8c	20.00	240.00
Pleasant Grove	5c	15.00	180.00
Poplar Grove	5c	10.00	120.00
Proffit's Grove	5c	8.00	96.00
Rich Mountain	5c	3.00	36.00
Rutherford	5c	8.00	96.00
Shulls Mills	5c	5.00	60.00
South Fork	5c	6.50	78.00
Stony Fork	5c	10.00	120.00
Tabernacle	5c	2.00	24.00
Three Forks	5c	10.00	120.00
Timbered Ridge	5c	6.00	72.00
Union	5c	10.00	120.00
Vanderpool	5c	2.00	24.00
White Rock	5c	4.00	48.00
Willowdale	5c	8.00	96.00
Willow Valley	5c	5.00	60.00
Zion Hill	5c	8.00	96.00
Zionville	5c	15.00	180.00
Total			\$5902.00



TABLE A CHURCHES AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	LICENSES OR NON-RESIDENT MEMBERS			PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Members	Widows and Other Dependents	Deaths, Resignations, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Number Jaws Feasted	Worship Meetings Held	Members Titlers	Elder, Member Deceased	State Paper In Budget	Total Missions Supported by Church	Woman's Annual Survey (Whether Participant or not)
	1	2	3														
Antioch	R	1949	1-3	Carl Wilson, Reese	4	5	4	128	97	205	0	1	0	No	No	0	\$ 498.56
Beaver Dam	R	1974	2-4	G. B. Trivette, Stony Fork	0	0	9	128	97	225	0	1	0	No	No	0	661.64
Beech Valley	R	1941	2-4	Vaughn Greene, Reese	14	0	2	85	19	104	0	1	0	No	No	0	269.29
Bethany	R	1993	2-4	L. H. Haganman, Reese	6	6	1	100	51	151	0	1	0	No	No	0	352.33
Bethel	R	1951	2-4	Hoyt Roberson, Sugar Grove	0	2	7	154	82	236	0	1	0	No	No	0	1,275.00
Blowing Rock	T	1903	All	G. Carlton Cox, Blowing Rock	6	7	9	140	63	203	0	1	0	No	No	0	2,720.00
Boone	C	1970	All	L. H. Hollingsworth, Boone	15	48	90	795	257	1052	0	2	125	Yes	Yes	1	6,000.00
Brushy Fork	R	1858	All	Grady Minton, Vilas	1	3	17	157	43	200	0	2	28	No	No	0	1,022.25
Clark's Creek	R	1898	1-3	Calvin Helton, Hudson	0	0	4	60	32	92	0	0	0	No	No	0	300.00
Cool Springs	R	1888	2-4	J. H. Crisp, Lenoir	4	3	1	64	63	127	0	1	0	No	No	0	342.66
Cove Creek	V	1799	All	S. Dwight Long, Sherwood	7	5	9	170	88	258	0	2	30	No	No	0	3,120.00
Elk Knob	R	1990	2	Billy Trivette, Damascus, Va.	3	0	7	40	21	61	0	1	0	No	No	0	161.39
Forest Grove	R	1889	2-4	Carl Wilson, Reese	2	0	8			172	0	1	0	No	No	0	393.13
Friendship	R	1948	1-3	L. H. Haganman, Reese	3	2	1	62	20	82	0	2	0	No	No	0	404.73
Gap Creek	R	1887	2-4	Frank Walker, North Wilkesboro	7	4	5	78	32	110	0	1	0	No	No	0	600.00
Green Valley	R	1946	3	Noah F. Johnson, Todd	8	1	1			115	0	2	0	No	No	0	415.06
Howard's Creek	R	1882	1-3	Glenn South, Trade, Tenn.	0	0	0			124	0	1	0	No	No	0	141.69
Laurel Springs	R	1873	All	Raymond Hendric, Boone	15	5	10	198	133	339	0	1	0	No	No	0	1,200.00
Meat Camp	R	1951	All	Paul Phipps, Grassy Creek	0	1	9	161	54	215	0	0	5	No	No	0	720.00
Mabel	V	1948	1-4	E. O. Gore, Zionville	0	2	4	49	15	64	0	1	10	No	No	0	900.00
Middle Fork	R	1905	2	J. H. Crisp, Lenoir	0	2	4	89	69	158	0	1	0	No	No	0	212.95
Mountain Dale	R	1942		No Letter													
Mount Galvary	V	1880	All	Glenn Gentry, Banner Elk	5	3	2	107	110	217	0	1	2	No	No	0	1,700.00
Mount Galeed	R	1976	1-3	Arnt Greer, Trade, Tenn.	1	1	2	41	44	85	0	1	0	No	No	0	127.29
Mount Lebanon	R	1891	1-3	L. H. Haganman, Reese	10	2	6			152	0	2	0	No	No	0	600.00
Oak Grove	V	1916	All	C. O. Vance, Boone, Rt. 3	15	6	16	215	25	240	0	2	55	No	No	0	3,120.00
Perkinsville	V	1947	All	Rex W. West, Boone, Rt. 2	16	15	4	212	29	241	0	2	53	No	No	0	3,251.10
Pleasant Grove	V	1891	All	E. O. Gore, Zionville	20	4	7	274	247	521	0	2	12	No	No	0	1,560.00
Poplar Grove	R	1878	All	E. Maurice Cooper, Vilas	0	0	7	192	75	195	0	1	5	No	Yes	0	911.85

CHURCHES	1 2 3 Location Date Date of Rural V.T.C. Organized Meeting			PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor or not)	No. Missions Supported by Church	State Paper In Budget	Every Member Convoys	Number Tithers	Revival Meetings Held	Number Jews Baptized	Grand Total Present Members	Total Non-Resident Members	Total Resident Members	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Letters and Other Additions	Baptisms
	Temp																
Profit Grove	R	1921	3-4	Paul Phipps, Grassy Creek	637.60	0	No	No	7	1	0	193	53	140	5	2	2
Rich Mountain	R	1906	1-3	W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock	336.55	0	No	No	0	2	0	79	24	55	1	0	0
Rutherford	R	1939	1-3	Glenn Huffman, Wilbar	1,010.20	0	No	No	10	1	0	176	0	176	3	6	10
Shulls Mills	R	1898	2-4	William H. Smith, Banner Elk	199.47	0	No	No	0	1	0	106	32	99	3	0	0
South Fork	V	1833	1-3	M. D. Hart, West Jefferson	687.60	0	No	No	0	1	0	131	32	99	4	1	4
Stony Fork	R	1841	2-4	None	794.20	0	No	No	10	1	0	205	72	133	18	1	4
Tabernacle	R	1941	2-4	Roby L. Painter, Banner Elk	251.75	0	No	No	0	1	0	55	12	43	0	0	4
Three Forks	R	1790	All	Homer Greene, Deep Gap	1,900.00	0	No	No	22	1	0	191	53	136	5	2	9
Timbered Ridge	R	1906	2-4	Carl Wilson, Reese	357.73	0	No	No	0	2	0	130	20	219	2	0	4
Union	R	1895	4	Clayton Wyder, Wynners Valley	479.83	0	No	No	0	1	0	239	20	219	4	4	12
Vanderpool	R	1953	2,3,4	Noah F. Johnson, Todd	360.00	0	No	No	22	2	0	51	0	51	3	1	4
White Rock	R	1945	2-4	William H. Smith, Banner Elk	480.00	0	No	No	15	1	0	86	27	81	1	2	8
Willowdale	R	1911	All	K. Maurice Cooper, Viles	1,320.00	0	No	No	9	2	0	156	55	101	6	0	0
Willow Valley	R	1935	1-3	H. C. Eggers, Zionville	688.75	0	No	No	0	2	0	103	27	76	0	0	3
Zion Hill	R	1886	2	Lawrence Hagsman, Reese	273.91	0	No	No	0	2	0	187	0	187	5	2	0
Zionville	V	1836	2-3	E. O. Gore, Zionville	984.40	0	No	No	3	2	0	232	0	232	4	0	3
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Table C TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES

Churches	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Mission Enrollment	General Officers Enrolled	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance
Blowing Rock	0	5	6	12	5	20	12	0	3	65	35
Boone	0	2	14	25	24	45	25	0	3	138	62
Brushy Fork	0	0	0	12	9	6	25	0	0	52	30
Bethel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cove Creek	0	4	7	27	24	9	30	0	2	103	63
Forest Grove	0	0	0	8	11	0	24	0	3	46	-
Gap Creek	6	3	10	9	11	9	14	0	0	58	30
Laurel Springs	0	0	0	13	0	16	36	0	10	78	68
Mabel	2	2	4	4	7	9	19	0	0	45	31
Meet Camp	0	0	0	13	0	10	24	0	2	49	20
Middle Fork	0	0	0	9	11	12	14	0	0	46	39
Mount Lebanon	0	0	13	8	10	12	22	0	0	65	-
Oak Grove	8	7	18	19	9	11	58	0	2	132	52
Perkinsville	0	10	12	31	21	19	56	0	2	153	71
Pleasant Grove	0	10	0	20	26	14	18	0	0	90	51
Poplar Grove	0	0	8	12	15	10	15	0	0	60	42
Rutherford	0	0	0	10	7	19	15	0	0	51	29
Stony Fork	0	0	0	8	6	4	10	0	3	63	22
Three Forks	0	15	10	12	14	12	13	0	2	78	38
Vanderpool	0	15	0	10	0	20	20	0	22	87	44
Willowdale	0	0	8	0	0	6	20	0	0	34	20
<b>Totals</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>1491</b>	<b>747</b>

Table D WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

PRESDENTS OF W.M.S. AND ADDRESSES

CHURCHES

CHURCHES	PRESDENTS OF W.M.S. AND ADDRESSES	W.M.S. Units	Y.W.A. Units	G.A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W.M.S. Enrolled	Y.W.A. Enrolled	G.A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Titlers All Organizations
Blowing Rock	Mrs. Paul Corfey, Blowing Rock	1	-	1	-	2	34	-	11	-	45	-
Boone	Mrs. B.W. Stallings, Boone	1	1	1	1	4	92	12	22	21	147	34
Brasby Fork	Miss Anor Minton, Viles	1	-	-	-	1	18	-	-	-	16	7
Cove Creek	Mrs. Dave Mast, Sugar Grove	1	1	2	1	5	30	5	24	8	67	24
Laurel Springs	Mrs. Raymond Hendrix, Boone, Rt.1	1	-	-	-	1	15	-	-	-	15	7
Mount Calvary	Mrs. Will Puckett, Sr., Banner Elk	1	-	-	-	1	8	-	-	-	8	-
Oak Grove	Mrs. John Ward, Boone, Rt.3	1	1	1	1	4	28	11	8	6	43	37
Perkinsville	Mrs. Hazel Hartley, Boone, Rt.1	1	-	2	-	3	28	-	24	-	52	18
Pleasant Grove	Mrs. Clara Wilson, Sherwood	1	-	-	-	1	16	-	-	-	16	5
Poplar Grove	Mrs. Frank Brown, Boone, Rt.3	1	-	1	1	3	17	-	4	12	33	-
Rutherford	Mrs. Annie Brown, Boone, Rt.1	1	-	-	-	1	17	-	-	-	17	3
Stony Fork	Mrs. Hayes Wellborn, Deep Gap	1	-	-	-	1	12	-	-	-	12	10
Three Forks	Mrs. Roby Greer, Boone, Rt.1	1	1	2	1	5	13	3	12	9	37	22
Willowdale	Mrs. Gladys Mast, Viles	1	-	-	-	1	19	-	-	-	19	3
Totals		14	4	10	5	33	347	31	105	56	529	170

Table E BROTHERHOOD WORK—BUILDING—GOALS—CHURCH LIBRARY—CHURCH MUSIC—VISUAL EDUCATION

CHURCHES	Presidents of Men's Brotherhoods and Addresses	BROTHERHOOD				BUILDING			GOALS		CHURCH LIBRARY		CHURCH MUSIC		VISUAL EDUCATION					
		Men's Brotherhood Enrollment	No. Meetings Held	Young Men's Brotherhood Enrollment	No. Meetings Held	R. A. Enrollment	No. Meetings Held	Total Brotherhood Enrollment	Value Pastor's Home	Value of Church Property Including Pastor's Home	Total Church Debt at End of Year	Goal Cooperative Program Coming Year	Goal Association missions coming Year	Does your church have a library?	Number Choirs	Total Choir Enrollment	MUSIC BUDGET	Use Church Music Magazine	Church Had Music Training Course	Film-strip Projector
Antioch									2,500			No	No			No	No	No	No	No
Beaver Dam									10,000			Yes	Yes			No	No	No	No	No
Beech Valley									8,000			Yes	Yes	1	30			Yes	No	No
Bethany									15,000			No	No	1	25			No	No	No
Bethel									11,000			Yes	Yes					No	Yes	No
Blowing Rock						5			12,000			Yes	Yes	1	16	10,000		No	No	No
Boone	Herman Wilcox	85	12			15	100		200,000	25,500	8,000	900,000	Yes	3	100		No	No	No	Yes
Brushy Fork									20,000			No	No	1	28			No	No	No
Clark's Creek									5,000			No	No					No	No	No
Cool Springs									7,000			No	No					No	No	No
Cove Creek		12	7			19	31		36,000	4,000	560	170,000	Yes	1	18		No	No	No	No
Elk Knob	Odes Wilson, Zionville								1,500			No	No					No	No	No
Forest Grove									10,000			Yes	Yes	1	35			No	Yes	No
Friendship									6,000			No	No	1	20			No	Yes	No
Gap Creek									20,000			No	No	1	20			No	Yes	No
Green Valley									4,000			No	No					No	Yes	No
Howard's Creek									4,600			No	No					No	No	No
Laurel Springs									20,000			Yes	Yes					No	No	No
Meat Camp									8,000			Yes	Yes	1	25			No	No	No
Mabel									8,700			No	No	1	18			No	No	No
Middle Fork									8,000			No	No	1				No	No	No
Mountain Dale									6,000			Yes	Yes	1	30			Yes	No	No
Mount Calvary									4,000			No	No	1				No	No	No
Mount Gilead									6,500			No	No					No	No	No
Mount Lebanon									10,000	3,775.01	600	480	Yes	2	36			No	No	No
Oak Grove	J. W. Norris, Boone	20	13			8	28		45,500	5,602.44	318		Yes	3	80			No	No	No
Perkinsville	Raymond Wilson, Boone Rt. 1	20	12			15	24		8,000		96		Yes	2	48			No	No	No
Pleasant Grove									14,600		36	55	No	3	55			No	No	No
Poplar Grove	Roy Williams, Boone, Rt. 3	19	9						20,000		55	55	Yes	3	55			No	No	No



CHURCHES	Presidents of Men's Brotherhoods and Addresses	BROTHERHOOD										MIRRORED			GOALS			CHURCH LIBRARY		CHURCH MUSIC		VISUAL EDUCATION	
		Men's Brotherhood Enrollment	No. Meetings Held	Young Men's Brotherhood Enrollment	No. Meetings Held	R. A. Enrollment	No. Meetings Held	Total Brotherhood Enrollment	No. Meetings Held	Value Pastor's Home	Value of Church Property including Pastor's Home	Total Church Debt at End of Year	Goal Cooperative Program Coming Year	Goal Association missions coming Year	Does your church have a library?	Number Choirs	Total Choir Enrollment	Music Budget	Use Church Music Magazine	Church Had Music Training Course	Film-strip Projector	Motion Picture Projector	
Profit Grove										4,000				No				No	No	No	No		
Rich Mountain										3,000				No	1			No	No	No	No		
Rutherford	Howard Farlier, Deep Gap	16								10,600				No				No	No	No	No		
Shulls Mills										8,000				No	1			No	No	No	No		
South Fork										20,000				No				No	No	No	No		
Stony Fork										12,000				No	1			No	No	No	No		
Tabernacle										5,000				No	1	25		No	No	No	No		
Three Forks	J. D. Harmon, Boone	10	12				10			40,000				No				No	No	No	No		
Timbered Ridge										4,500				No				No	No	No	No		
Union										6,000				No	1	50		No	No	No	No		
Vanderpool										2,500				No				No	No	No	No		
White Rock										5,000				No				No	No	No	No		
Willowdale										20,000				No				No	No	No	No		
Willow Valley									10,000	15,000				Yes				No	No	No	No		
Zion Hill										15,000				No				No	No	No	No		
Zionville										20,000				No				No	No	No	No		
<b>Totals</b>		<b>175</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>827</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>81,600</b>	<b>794,900</b>	<b>39,677.45</b>	<b>9,404.</b>	<b>1525</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>619</b>	<b>1800</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>		



CHURCHES		TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES											
Proffit Grove	Artie Bryan, Boone	\$1,442.77	\$ 67.00	\$ 67.47	\$	68.58	113.00	122.51		12.40	450.96	637.60	1,988.56
Rich Mountain	Stacy Tester, Zionville, Rt.1	500.00		524.64		51.86		50.00			626.50	336.55	963.05
Rutherford	Howard Farlier, Deep Gap	3,919.79	400.00			389.51	125.73	100.00			1,015.25	1,010.20	2,235.44
Shulls Mills	Mrs. J.E. Harbin, Boone, Rt.3	707.56				31.14		49.53		23.49	105.16	139.47	392.63
South Fork	W.G. Cook, Todd	2,967.33	115.00	498.09		64.98	173.15	147.00		229.18	1,227.42	637.60	1,915.02
Stony Fork	Glen Wellborn, Stony Fork	1,938.43	260.52	150.00		161.15		160.20		150.20	901.87	794.20	1,696.07
Tabernacle	Coy F. Norris, Boone, Rt.1	612.64	10.22	28.96		45.27		27.90		125.34	237.69	251.75	489.44
Three Forks	James Austin, Boone	5,441.28	475.00	430.68		321.98	430.69	201.60		6.75	2,051.54	1,933.00	3,951.54
Timbered Ridge	Lloyd Dishman, Reese	677.00	30.00	6.32		33.50	46.00	75.22		59.34	249.35	367.73	616.11
Union	Stanley Norris, Zionville	1,205.65		401.46		129.15	26.81	90.20		12.20	661.82	476.83	1,140.65
Vanderpool	Jay Isaacs, Vitas	796.15		25.81		65.00	20.51	15.33	35.00	126.00	287.65	360.00	647.65
White Rock	Mrs. H.H. Shook, Benner Elk	1,173.30		41.03		154.31		69.00		435.26	747.60	373.00	1,117.30
Willowdale	Mrs. William Edmiston, Vitas	2,213.90		32.00		142.60	108.89	98.56		147.00	527.65	1,335.00	1,922.65
Willow Valley	Mrs. Vonnie Greene, Sugar Grove	1,245.53	110.00	67.25		137.37	48.00	43.50		170.86	576.98	626.75	1,205.73
Zion Hill	Gordon Hagaman, Beech Creek	1,242.53		531.91		60.94	35.70			236.94	865.49	273.91	1,139.40
Zionville	Fred Castle, Zionville	2,178.76		386.92		85.97	44.80	148.66		17.68	682.03	924.40	1,606.43
<b>Totals</b>		<b>142,600.64</b>	<b>10,988.08</b>	<b>10,028.76</b>	<b>13,860.31</b>	<b>9,890.38</b>	<b>6,135.08</b>	<b>4,937.31</b>	<b>10,154.48</b>	<b>9,566.88</b>	<b>79,885.08</b>	<b>48,998.61</b>	<b>117,586.26</b>

CHURCHES		CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES										Grand Total Expenditures for All Purposes
Church	Clerk Name and Address	Cooperative Program	Voluntarily Received	Designated State Workers	Designated Home Workers	Designated Design Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Nachau Home	Designated Hospitals	Other objects Relief and Annuity, etc.	Total Mission Expenditures	Grand Total Expenditures for All Purposes
Antioch	Dwight Cable, Sugar Grove				6.00			53.23	15.00	41.35	115.59	\$ 826.07
Beaver Dam	C.B. Reese, Reese							92.26	33.26		125.52	1,134.40
Beech Valley	Sam L. Ward, Beech Creek, Rt.1				35.78			15.81	7.19		59.78	790.56
Bethany	Russell A. Farthing, Rominger, Rt.2			12.00	6.00			48.00	12.00	12.00	96.00	713.73
Bethel	Howard Lawrence, Sugar Grove	51.67			142.00			254.59	79.31	59.01	585.88	3,354.40
Blowing Rock	Mrs. Leona H. Coffey, Blowing Rock	323.87		63.91	105.48	127.85		46.60	15.12	159.96	963.79	6,766.10
Boone	John Howell, Boone	5,358.35		425.00	147.00	1,000.00	600.00	296.50	234.70	108.00	8,169.55	41,738.73
Brushy Fork	Miss Minnie Dore Greene, Vilas	20.00		74.26	69.98	147.39	64.98	189.93	116.21	91.74	799.34	2,984.41
Clark's Creek	Basel Tester, Banner Elk, Rt.1							36.45	32.78	10.00	79.23	634.61
Cool Springs	Dewey Mitchell, Blowing Rock	345.00		57.02	103.01	90.89		105.01	39.04	10.00	953.67	1,035.92
Cove Creek	Mrs. Grace S. Bingham, Sherwood							12.50	5.34		17.84	304.17
Elk Knob	W.C. South, Tamarack											
Forest Grove	Len Warren, Vilas	7.78						18.06	19.65		45.49	913.41
Friendship	Don Bumgarner, Creston	8.85		10.37				60.00	20.00		99.22	999.33
Gap Creek	Russell Wellborn, Deep Gap	6.10		10.00		10.00		40.00	10.00		76.10	1,819.47
Green Valley	Fonzo Tester, Sugar Grove								2.11		2.11	583.12
Howard's Creek	W.L. Tester, Boone, Rt.2			11.00				49.63	8.20		68.83	433.36
Laurel Springs	Glenn Ford, Boone	160.00		9.72		69.35		311.24			550.31	3,022.48
Meat Camp	Earl Greene, Boone, Rt.2			20.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	187.89	56.13	39.35	351.34	1,677.41
Mabel	Lewis Burdett, Zionville	13.00						51.14	30.00	25.00	106.14	1,632.86
Middle Fork	Nell Ashley, Blowing Rock, Rt.2							30.00	17.00		47.00	1,305.43
Mountain Dale	No Letter							121.75	26.45	34.00	244.22	2,489.91
Mount Calvary	Mrs. Homer Showaker, Banner Elk	36.00		10.50		15.52					50.00	1,945.40
Mount Gilend	R.S. Greenwell, Elk Park, Rt.1											
Mount Lebanon	Oscar Hodges, Vilas				85.41			20.00	14.50		99.91	1,567.64
Oak Grove	Mrs. L.M. Hodges, Boone, Rt.3	412.50		132.05	22.33	77.80	10.00	139.73		12.00	1,227.41	10,042.02
Perkinsville	Burl Greene, Boone	293.00		130.00	115.70	163.13	62.80	135.00	78.00	15.00	1,041.23	10,656.23
Pleasant Grove	Don H. Perry, Zionville	107.99			2.00			117.00	25.00	20.26	272.25	2,986.70
								150.94	60.00	0.85	364.29	1,000.55





TABLE CAMP JOY		YOUTH CAMPS, 1955										May, 1950 - August 29, 1955		
		ATTENDANCE										Buildings and Development		
CHURCHES		Junior Girls June 20-23	Int. Girls June 27-30	Int. and Int. Boys July 4-7	YWA June 24-25	Sunbeam August 25	Total Attendance	Camp Workers	Food Donated	Camp Used Aug. 20, 1955 Aug. 21, 1955	Donations of and for Equipment and Upkeep	Cash	Donations Labor and Material	Grand Total Cash and Donations
	Antioch		1				1							
	Beaver Dam													
	Beech Valley													
	Bethany													
	Bethel					7	7	1	Yes		9.90	16.00		25.90
	Blowing Rock	1	2	3			6	3	Yes					25.90
	Boone	11		3	7		21	7	Yes	306.50	1184.00	310.00		1770.50
	Brushy Fork		1	1			2		Yes					
	Clerk's Creek									10.10				10.10
	Cool Springs													
	Cove Creek	5	4	9	3	6	27	15	Yes	317.45	264.60	363.00		945.05
	Elk Knob													
	Forest Grove													
	Friendship													
	Gap Creek													
	Green Valley													
	Howard's Creek										25.00			25.00
	Laurel Springs													
	Mabel							1	Yes	12.00				12.00
	Meat Camp									15.00				15.00
	Middle Fork													
	Mountain Dale													
	Mount Galvary													
	Mount Gilead													
	Mount Lebanon													
	Oak Grove	2	3	4	3	5	17	0	Yes	58.89	675.00	55.00		768.89
	Perkinsville	12		2			14	5	Yes	36.50	594.71	10.00		441.21
	Pleasant Grove	3	2	2			7	6	Yes					











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## ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY

C. O. Vance, Moderator	Boone
Wade E. Brown, Vice-Moderator	Boone
Mrs. Blanche Perry, Clerk	Sherwood
Clyde R. Greene, Treasurer	Boone
J. Hoyt Roberson, Associational Missionary	Sugar Grove
Rex West, Song Leader	Boone
Mrs. Kathleen B. Ward, Pianist	Boone
Clyde R. Greene, Historian	Boone
Mrs. Blanche Perry, Librarian	Sherwood
Boyd Cook, Sunday School Superintendent	Boone
Bobby Gore, Training Union Director	Boone
Ira S. Ayers, Brotherhood President	Boone
John Ward, Royal Ambassador Leader	Boone
Mrs. Blanche Perry, W. M. U. Superintendent	Sherwood
Ernest Blankenship, Orphanage, Baptist Homes and Hospital Director	Sherwood
Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Camp Director	Zionville
Ernest Blankenship, Superintendent of Evangelism	Sherwood
L. H. Hollingsworth, Public Relations Director	Boone

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Wade E. Brown, Chairman	Boone
C. J. Farthing	Boone
R. C. Eggers	Zionville
Joe L. Coffey, Jr.	Deep Gap
Joe J. Wellborn	Deep Gap
J. T. C. Wright	Boone
Mrs. T. C. Hodges	Boone
E. O. Gore	Zionville
L. H. Hollingsworth	Boone
Lee Anderson	Boone
Mrs. Blanche Perry	Sherwood
C. O. Vance	Boone
All Pastors	

## MISSIONS COMMITTEE

C. J. Farthing, Chairman	Boone
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Rex West	Boone
Roby Vines	Sugar Grove
Johnny Walser	Blowing Rock

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Mrs. Nora M. Wilson	Zionville
Alfred T. Adams	Boone
Coy Love	Vilas

## ROYAL AMBASSADOR COMMITTEE

Ira S. Ayers	Boone
Hoye Greene	Boone
Roy Williams	Boone
Mrs. Blanche Perry	Sherwood
Mrs. Nora M. Wilson	Zionville
Mrs. Daisy Greene	Boone
John Ward	Boone
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## CAMP JOY COMMITTEE

Wade E. Brown, Chairman	Boone
John Ward	Boone
Mrs. Nora M. Wilson	Boone

## COMMITTEES TO REPORT TO THE 1957 SESSION

Associational Progress	J. Hoyt Roberson and Mrs. Blanche Perry
Benevolencés	Ernest Blankenship and Russell D. Hodges
Christian Education	W. H. Plemmons and J. T. C. Wright
Memorial Service	Mrs. Ruby Perry and Mrs. R. H. Townsend
Missions	G. C. Cox and Roby Vines
Public Morals	E. O. Gore and Homer Greene
Religious Literature	Rex West and Ralph L. Beshears
Resolutions	Raymond Hendrix and Paul Phipps
Woman's Missionary Union	Mrs. Herman Eggers and Mrs. Ralph Beshears

## TRAINING UNION ORGANIZATION

Director	Bobby Gore, Boone
Associate Director	Homer Greene, Deep Gap
Secretary	John Ward, Boone
Chorister	Dallas Cheek, Boone
Pianist	Mrs. Kathleen B. Ward, Boone
Pastor-Advisor	G. C. Cox, Blowing Rock
Adult Leader	John B. Robinson, Boone
Young People's Leader	Johnny Walser, Blowing Rock
Intermediate Leader	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville
Junior Leader	Mrs. Blanche Perry, Sherwood
Nursery-Beginner-Primary Leader	Mrs. T. K. Pease, Boone



**WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION ORGANIZATION**

Superintendent	Mrs. Blanche Perry, Sherwood
Associate Superintendent	Mrs. Johnnie Sherwood, Vilas
Secretary-Treasurer	Miss Alma Hodges, Boone
Mission Study Chm.	Mrs. Ruth Greer, Boone
Stewardship Chm.	Mrs. Marie Vance, Boone
Community Missions Chm.	Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone
Literature Chm.	Mrs. Ted Hagaman, Boone
Prayer Chm.	Mrs. Maude Farthing, Boone
Margaret Fund-Carver School Chm.	Mrs. Daisy Adams, Boone
Director of Missionary Fundamentals	Mrs. Daisy Greene, Boone
Youth Director	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville
Y. W. A. Leader	Mrs. Kathleen B. Ward, Boone
G. A. Leader	Mrs. Murlee Austin, Boone
R. A. Leader	Mr. John Ward, Boone
Sunbeam Leader	Mrs. Mary Wellborn, Deep Gap
Nominating Committee for 1957	Mrs. Jack Edmisten, Chm., Boone Mrs. Blanche Hendrix, Boone Mrs. Mabel Berry, Boone

**BROTHERHOOD ORGANIZATION**

President	Ira S. Ayers, Boone
First Vice-President	C. J. Farthing, Boone
Second Vice-President	Hoye Greene, Boone
Secretary-Treasurer	James Marsh, Boone

**SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZATION**

Superintendent	Boyd Cook, Boone
Group Superintendents	Clint Eggers, Zionville Ted Eller, Vilas Johnny Walser, Blowing Rock Joe L. Coffey, Jr., Deep Gap
Vacation Bible School Supt.	Maurice Cooper, Vilas
Training Supt.	Mrs. Ruby Michael, Boone
Evangelism Supt.	Ernest Blankenship, Sherwood
Enlargement Supt.	Rex West, Boone
Cradle Roll Supt.	Mrs. D. L. Wilcox, Boone
Nursery Supt.	Mrs. Herman Wood, Boone
Beginner Supt.	Mrs. Edd Brookshire, Boone
Primary Supt.	Mrs. Roby Painter, Banner Elk
Junior Supt.	Mrs. Blanche Perry, Sherwood
Intermediate Supt.	Miss Minnie Dare Greene, Vilas
Young People's Supt.	Charles Risk, Todd
Adult Supt.	Bobby Gore, Boone
Extension Supt.	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson, Zionville
Secretary	Miss Alma Hodges, Boone

## CHURCH LIBRARIES

Beech Valley	Miss Cloyce Harmon, Beech Creek
Boone	Miss Mary Huff, Boone
Cove Creek	Mrs. Blanche Perry, Sherwood
Gap Creek	Mrs. Clint Miller, Purlear
Laurel Springs	Miss Wilma Russell, Deep Gap
Meat Camp	Miss Peggy Jones, Boone
Mt. Calvary	Mrs. J. M. Shomaker, Banner Elk
Oak Grove	Miss Alma Hodges, Boone
Perkinsville	Mrs. Mary Brown, Boone
Poplar Grove	Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Boone

## STUDENTS FOR THE MINISTRY

Ernest Banner, Jr.	Southeastern Bap. Sem.	Blowing Rock
Joseph Merritt Coffey, Jr.	Wake Forest College	Blowing Rock
Robert Francis Greene	Wake Forest College	Blowing Rock
Eugene Seatz	Mars Hill College	South Fork

## MESSENGERS TO THE ASSOCIATION

ANTIOCH—Norman Tester, Luther W. Ward, Ralph Harmon.
BEAVER DAM—Sanford Creed, Clyde Robinson, Lee Swift.
BEECH VALLEY—O. H. Trivette, Stacy Ward, George M. Harmon.
BETHANY—Iris Harmon, Ben Hicks, Victor Harmon.
BETHEL—W. R. Vines, M. H. Edmisten, Bert Farthing.
BLOWING ROCK—J. H. Winkler, Johnny Walser, Miss Barbara Ann Coffey.
BOONE—Carl Day, Herman Eggers, Herman Wilcox.
BRUSHY FORK—Coy Love, Mrs. Fred Harmon, Mrs. Blanche Hayes.
CLARK'S CREEK—Harston Coffey, Tipton Eggers, Basil Tester.
COOL SPRINGS—W. C. Payne, Mrs. W. C. Payne, Howard Shore.
COVE CREEK—Edgar Greene, Mrs. Nora Wilson, Martin Banner.
ELK KNOB—Grady Potter, Lester Eller, W. C. South.
FRIENDSHIP—John Michael, Glenn South, Russell Garland.
FOREST GROVE—Spencer Warren, D. H. Eggers, W. W. Wilson.
GAP CREEK—Russell Wellborn, A. G. Miller, Carl Cheek.
GREENE VALLEY—Fonzo Tester, Jack Farthing, Albert Ward.
HOWARD'S CREEK—Clint Tester, Jack Greer, Ray Miller.
LAUREL SPRINGS—Joe Coffey, Sr., James Hardin, Rufus Idol.
MABEL—Edd S. Williams, M. L. Warren, Sr., Blan Norris.
MEAT CAMP—Ferd Michael, Bynum Proffitt, Mrs. Bynum Proffitt.
MIDDLE FORK—H. B. Triplett, Bobby Shore, Perry Ashley.
MOUNTAIN DALE—Collis Greene, Clint Cornett, Arthur Moody.
MOUNT CALVARY—Willard Shomaker, R. E. Smith, Frank Chappell.
MOUNT GILEAD—Luther Bunton, Arnold Ward, Junior Turbyfield.
MOUNT LEBANON—Willie Earp, Raymond Hayes, Horace Walls.

OAK GROVE—Joe McNeil, W. J. Norris, Mrs. Joe McNeil.

PERKINSVILLE—Burl Greene, Mrs. Burl Greene, Frank Triplett.

PLEASANT GROVE—Glenn Tester, Clint Eggers, I. B. Wilson.

POPLAR GROVE—Robert Setzer, Mrs. Clyde Williams, Mrs. Tom Shore.

PROFFITT'S GROVE—Willie Proffitt, Robert Proffitt, Arlie Bryan.

RICH MOUNTAIN—Forace Moretz, Robert Ragan, Estel Culler.

RUTHERWOOD—S. B. Brown, Jr., Bernard Cook, R. V. Brown, Jr.

SHULLS MILLS

SOUTH FORK—W. F. Norris, Lester Moretz, Glenn Howell.

STONY FORK—Bynum Trivette, W. L. Greene, B. F. Wellborn.

TABERNACLE—Ruth Moretz, Roxie Brown, Elsie Norris.

THREE FORKS—Mrs. Roby Greer, Troy Greene, Mrs. Ruby Michael.

TIMBERED RIDGE—Paul Tester, Charlie McGuire, Clyde Tester.

UNION—Arent Greer, Ivan Younce, Marvin Norris.

VANDERPOOL—Jay Isaacs, Frank Brown, Dexter Eggers.

WHITE ROCK—W. C. Smith, Bert Shook, Faye Shook.

WILLOWDALE—R. M. Greene, Mrs. Ada Elliott, I. A. Bumgardner.

WILLOW VALLEY—Dillard Greene, Oscar Ward, Rayner Matheson.

ZION HILL—Luther Harmon, Graden Hagaman, Henry Hagaman.

ZIONVILLE—N. T. Byers, Edd Reece, W. R. Holman.

## CONSTITUTION

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who, on producing letters from their respective church certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to their seats. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, the ministers being ex-officio.

2. In the letters from the different churches is to be expressed their numbers in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed

by letter, excommunicated and dead since last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any special power over the churches. They shall not infringe upon any internal right of any church in this Union.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, and Clerk who shall be chosen annually by the suffrage of the members present.

5. New churches or any regular church of Christ being locally dismissed by letter by any sister Association upon application and delegates, shall be admitted to our Union.

6. Every church in the Association shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

7. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be once read and before it is debated the Moderator shall put it to a vote, and if there is a majority for it being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and be debated, but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of their proceedings. The best method of accomplishing this purpose shall be at the direction of the future Associations.

10. We think it is absolutely necessary that we shall have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For the raising and supporting of which we think it to be the duty of each church in the Union to contribute annually such sums as they may think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association. The money thus raised shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer, appointed by the Association, who shall be accountable for the same. He shall pay the money out from time to time as the Association may direct.

11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of the Association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation yearly for this service.

12. The minutes of this Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

13. Amendments to the plans or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the Association when they deem it necessary, by giving the churches twelve months prior notice.

14. The Association shall have power:



To provide for the general union of the churches.

To endeavor to preserve a chain of union among the churches.

To give the churches the necessary advice in matters of difficulty.

To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association.

To appropriate the money contributed by the churches for an Associational fund to any purpose they may think proper.

To have power to withdraw from any church in their Union who shall violate the rules of this Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

To correspond with sister Associations.

To invite any Baptist in the ministry to a seat in the Association, who may be present at the time of their sitting.

To adjourn the Association to any future time and place they may think proper and most convenient to the churches of the Union.

## RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by any except the Moderator, till he is done speaking.

3. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect upon the person who spoke before him as to make remarks on his steps, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state the matter as he can do so as to give his views or ideas.

4. No person shall abruptly break or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

5. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on any one subject without liberty from the Association.

6. No member shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same or whispering in the time of public speaking.

7. No member shall address another in any other appellation than that of brother.

8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the rules of this decorum.

9. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as required by the Association.

10. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any of the other members, provided the chair be filled. He shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.



## PLEASANT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Tuesday Morning, August 28, 1956

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- 9:00—Devotional ----- Rev. Rex West  
 9:15—Call To Order, Adoption of Program, Recognition of  
 Visitors  
 9:25—Roll Call of Churches  
 9:30—Address of Moderator  
 9:55—Miscellaneous Business, Appointment of Committees  
 10:15—Report of Nominating Committee and Election of  
 Officers  
 10:30—Report on Christian Education ---- By John Howell  
 Speaker: Dr. P. L. Elliot  
 11:00—Associational Missions Report -- By Rev. C. O. Vance  
 11:15—Hymn  
 11:20—Sermon ----- Rev. R. C. Eggers  
 12:00—Recess—Lunch

## AFTERNOON—TUESDAY

- 1:00—Devotional ----- Rev. Glenn South  
 1:10—Benevolences Report ----- By Spencer Cable  
 Speaker: Rev. James M. Hayes  
 1:45—Missions—Cooperative Program - Rev. Hoyt Roberson  
 Speaker: Rev. H. K. Middleton  
 3:00—Adjourn

## BRUSHY FORK BAPTIST CHURCH

Tuesday Evening

- 7:30—Devotional ----- Rev. W. R. Eaton  
 7:40—Camp Joy ----- Mrs. Nora Wilson  
 7:55—W. M. U. ---- Mrs. Ruby Michael and Mrs. Rex West  
 Speaker: Mrs. H. K. Middleton

## BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Wednesday Morning, August 29, 1956

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- 9:00—Devotional ----- Rev. M. D. Hart
- 9:15—Report of Executive Committee
- 9:30—Report: Sunday School, B. T. U., Brotherhood  
Speaker: Rev. Jack Bagwell
- 10:00—Religious Literature Report ----- Mr. Wade Brown  
Librarians Report, Mrs. Blanche Perry
- 10:20—Missions ----- Speaker, Dr. E. L. Spivey
- 11:00—Report of Committees on Finance, Resolutions, Time,  
Place, and Preacher
- 11:20—Report on Associational  
Progress -- Clyde R. Greene and Mrs. Blanche Perry
- 11:35—Hymn
- 11:40—Sermon ----- Rev. Glenn Gentry
- 12:15—Recess and Lunch

## WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

- 1:15—Devotional ----- Rev. William Smith
- 1:30—Report of Treasurer
- 1:40—Report on Public Morals ----- Rev. G. C. Cox  
Speaker: Rev. Rex Campbell
- 2:10—Miscellaneous Business
- 2:25—Memorial Service ----- Mrs. Betty Hughes
- 3:00—Adjourn



**Proceedings of the  
One Hundred Sixteenth Annual Session of  
Three Forks Baptist Association of N. C.  
Held With  
Pleasant Grove and Bethel Baptist Churches  
Tuesday and Wednesday, August 28 and 29, 1956  
FIRST DAY**

The One Hundred Sixteenth Annual Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association of North Carolina met with the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church August 28, 1956.

The session was opened with the singing of "How Firm A Foundation." Rex West read Ephesians 4:1-15 and led in prayer.

After the singing of "Brethren We Have Met To Worship," L. H. Hollingsworth, Moderator, declared the One Hundred Sixteenth Session of Three Forks Baptist Association in order for the transaction of business. He asked that the program as prepared, printed and in the hands of the messengers be adopted with any changes which might be necessary during the Sessions.

The following were recognized: Visitors, Dr. J. C. Canipe, president of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and Smith Hagaman. New pastors, Ernest M. Blankenship, Cove Creek, Edd Crump, Brushy Fork and Laurel Springs and W. R. Eaton, assistant pastor, Boone, and E. O. Gore, pastor of host church.

The Moderator recognized C. J. Farthing, Vice-Moderator, who asked for the roll call of the churches. Thirty six churches answered and messengers from other churches came in later. Mr. Farthing then presented L. H. Hollingsworth for the Moderator's address. He read John 14:12, led in prayer and as a basis for his message asked the question, "What is the world's and our greatest problem today?" and answered it with "Spiritual and low-level living." He reviewed Christianity from its beginning and brought out that it is a vibrant reality which can change lives as it develops people in the image of Christ. In our hands is not only the charge of the task but the power to perform it if we lay hold on it.

After prayer by J. C. Canipe, the Moderator appointed the following committees: Finance, Carl Day and E. M. Blankenship to work with Clyde R. Greene and Mrs. Blanche Perry; Time, Place and Preacher, Bert Farthing, Joe Coffey, Sr., and Mrs. Nora M. Wilson.

It being time for the election of officers, Mr. Hollingsworth declared the floor open for nominations. Rex West offered the name of C. O. Vance for nomination for Moderator. Oscar Ward nominated Bynum Trivette. Roby Vines moved that nominations cease. The name of Bynum Trivette was presented first and 17 votes were counted for him. When the name of C. O. Vance was presented there was such an overwhelming majority that it was unnecessary to count them. Rex West made the motion that it be made unanimous for C. O. Vance and it was so done. C. J. Farthing nominated Wade E. Brown for Vice-Moderator. Mrs. Nora Wilson moved nominations cease and Roby Vines moved that the rules be suspended and Smith Hagaman cast the vote of the Association for Mr. Brown. E. O. Gore placed the name of Mrs. Blanche Perry in nomination for Clerk. No other name being presented, Mrs. Perry was elected unanimously. Roby Vines nominated Clyde R. Greene for the office of Treasurer. Rex West moved rules be dispensed and R. C. Eggers cast the vote of the Association for Mr. Greene.

The Moderator recognized M. H. Kendall, Mars Mill College, John Roberts, Gardner-Webb College and Guy Cain, general missionary for this western area, who will have his headquarters in Boone.

The report on Christian Education was read by A. E. Moretz and after a motion for adoption was discussed by Dr. Phil Elliott, president of Gardner-Webb College. He stressed the needs of our Baptist colleges and their importance to our denominational program through Evangelism, Christian Education and Social Service. He said the solution of all our problems came back to the fundamental truth that our one great job is to bring people to our Lord Jesus Christ.

The report was adopted as read and discussed.

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

All education should be Christian. There is not a great deal of difference between denominational institutions and state or other institutions in academic training. The main difference, and this is a major one, is the personal effect and result that the denominational institution has upon the individual life and leadership. In addition to the non-denominational institutions, the Baptist supported schools provide four years of study of the Bible and training for effective Christian leadership. Even though Bible may be an elective, it offers a systematic analytical study of the Bible under the guidance of a consecrated qualified professor.



The great need of the world today is for consecrated Christian leadership — lay leaders — in occupations offering the greatest opportunity for Christian influence. The major objective of our Baptist institutions is to produce this type of leadership. The enrollment in both secular and denominational institutions is going to increase over a period of the next five years. There will be a greater demand than ever for support of our denominational institutions.

It is urgently recommended that we give of our time, money and prayers. You are urged to support and give guidance to the Baptist Student Union groups as well as our denominational institutions.

Degrees are available in a Southern Baptist college or university in every major subject except agriculture. Twenty nine of the fifty one are senior colleges offering a bachelor's degree. Nine offer the master's degree, and one offers the Doctor of Philosophy and Doctor of Education degrees. Of these institutions there are seven in North Carolina — two senior colleges and five junior colleges.

Respectfully submitted,  
John T. Howell  
A. E. Moretz

The Associational Missions report was read by C. O. Vance. After motion to adopt it was discussed by Hoyt Roberson and C. O. Vance. We were challenged to do our best in support of our Associational Missionary and Missions program. The report was adopted.

### REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

The Missions Program of the Three Forks Association has taken on a progressive and forward look. The program itself is that working together of the churches for the advancement of the Kingdom of God in a better way here in the Association. We are delighted in the fine spirit of cooperation from most of our churches. More churches are supporting the work in a financial way now than ever before, having adopted the suggested budget for their church which was presented to the Association last year. In view of the fact that we believe and hope our associational missionary will be able to give his full time to this work soon, we urge the churches to continue, and if possible to increase, their support of this work and that the churches doing nothing in this way yet will join with us immediately in this great work.

Through this program during the last year, the organizations of our association and those of many of our churches have been increased and strengthened; more Vacation Bible Schools have been conducted; our associational camp with its program has been enlarged; we have had a Simultaneous Rural Church Enlargement Revival with many of our churches participating; and our associational missionary has been supported.

Herewith is a report of part of the work Brother Hoyt Roberson has been able to do through Associational Missions during the thirteen months he has been our missionary. Let us bear in mind that Brother Roberson is only giving half of his time to this work and is serving the other half as pastor of the Bethel church where God is blessing in a wonderful way.

Delivered 133 sermons, talks or addresses

Conducted 3 Vacation Bible Schools

Conducted 2 revivals

Taught 8 study courses

Held 550 individual conferences

Held 49 group conferences

Held or attended 37 committee meetings

Helped in camp for boys at Camp Joy

Assisted in promoting Associational V. B. S. Clinic

Helped plan, promote and worked in 1 association wide Church  
Enlargement Revival

Worked or visited in 28 churches

Attended the Southern Baptist Convention Kansas City, Mo.

Attended the Associational Missionaries Conference at Caswell

Attended State planning meeting for Sunday School workers.

Attended State-wide V. B. S. Clinic

Attended State-wide Evangelistic conference at Winston-Salem

Traveled 18,447 miles

Respectfully submitted,

C. O. Vance

Mrs. Nora Wilson extended an invitation to all messengers to visit Camp Joy after the closing of the afternoon session. The H. K. Middleton family, formerly of Cove Creek church, now missionaries to Chile, home on furlough, were recognized. Announcement was made of the night session of the Association at Brushy Fork and Wednesday's session at Bethel.

R. C. Eggers came to the platform for the morning worship service. A song was sung, Ronda Earp led in prayer, Mr. Eggers read Matthew 6:19-23 and led in prayer. He announced his subject, "Laying Up Treasures." Some of the treasures we may lay up are: A dedicated life, prayer life, life of service, life of stewardship and love for all people, especially the unfortunate ones. He closed with prayer which included thanks for the bountiful lunch.

## AFTERNOON SESSION

Rex West led in the song service, and Glenn South read John 14:1-6 and led in prayer.

Herbert McCoy, new pastor at Zion Hill, was recognized.

Mr. Hollingsworth expressed appreciation for the work of the churches and cooperation of the pastors and people during his term as Moderator, and commendation for the newly-elected Moderator, C. O. Vance. He named for the Resolutions Committee A. E. Moretz, George Hagaman, and Robert Greene. With stirring words he presented the gavel to Mr. Vance who accepted and presided for the remainder of the afternoon session.

The report on Benevolences not being ready, Mr. West made the motion that the report be read later but discussed at this time. Mr. Vance recognized James Hayes, superintendent of Homes for the Aging. Mr. Hayes introduced W. K. McGhee who spoke briefly on the growth in size and development of work, equipment and so forth, of the Baptist Hospital. Mr. Hayes spoke on the growth of the Baptist Homes for the Aging and called attention to the bulletins and pamphlets already distributed, which explained the operation of the Homes. He also mentioned the Orphanage, but this was to be presented more fully on Wednesday.

### REPORT ON BENEVOLENCES

When we hear the word Benevolences we immediately think of our Orphanage, Hospital, Homes for the Aging and Old Ministers' Relief. The ministry of each of these is increasing each year. Our childrens' homes at Thomasville and Kinston are both our care and our blessing as they continue to minister to needy children of our land. We are proud of our Hospital and the service it is rendering. Our Baptist Homes, now in their sixth year, always have a waiting list. They are putting forth their best efforts to render a ministry of security, comfort, congeniality, and Christian love to its residents. We would recommend that our ministers join the Old Ministers Retirement Plan and lead the churches to support it that they might be adequately taken care of when they have reached old age and declining health.

Homer Greene read the report on Missions and moved its adoption. Mr. Vance introduced H. K. Middleton, missionary to Chile, who spoke to the report. He read Matthew 9:36-38 and stirred our hearts as he spoke of the world task of God's people. It is a challenging responsibility that God would have us see. He spoke feelingly of the Baptist work in Chile and closed by saying that the most blessed thing is to hear God's voice and follow it. The report was adopted.



## REPORT ON MISSIONS

Ours is a global mission. Jesus said in Matthew 28:19-20, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world, A-men." John 20-21, "Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you." It has been said "that missions is not a function of a department of a church, but is the identifying element in every Christian." Missions is not optional, but is a must for we believe that the Gospel is to be shared with others.

Just as charity begins at home, but does not end there, so the home is a good place to start but we must go beyond the confines of our own interests into the regions beyond, even unto the uttermost part of the earth. In doing this we know that state missions undergirds world missions. In our state there are still areas that need churches, thousands that do not know our Lord, and many churches that need to be strengthened. As we endeavor to reach our state for Christ we are strengthening our efforts to win our world to Him.

The Home Mission Board is particularly seeking to make Christ known within the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention. It ministers to the Chinese, French, Italians, Indians, Japanese, Russians, and Spanish speaking peoples. The Board extends its ministry in Negro and Jewish work.

We also have churches and mission stations in Alaska and a number of missions in Cuba, Panama and the Canal Zone where there is a possibility of organizing churches. The work among the migrants is making progress. There are about 750,000 migrants in the convention territory. Also there is the pioneer ranch ministry, the summer student mission program in which students from 23 states and 6 foreign countries work. There is also the mountain mission program, city mission program, rural church work, a ministry to military personnel and our work among the Jews by visitation and preaching. We now have more than 1,324 missionaries working through the Home Mission Board.

The Foreign Mission Board has 1,058 missionaries laboring for our Lord in 35 countries around the world which represents the maximum world witness of more than 8,000,000 Southern Baptists. Whereas we have 1,058 missionaries we adequately have the potentiality of no less that 3,000. We lay upon the altar annually \$10,000,000 for Foreign Missions but could lay \$30,000,000 for a world-wide witness.

For over 30 years the Cooperative Program has been an effective channel through which Southern Baptists have supported all our missionary, educational and benevolent work. As we give through the Cooperative Program, we preach, teach, minister and give the Gospel to the whole world.

May we support all our work with our prayers and with our gifts.

Respectfully submitted,  
Homer Greene  
J. Hoyt Roberson

J. C. Canipe led the closing moments of meditation and prayer.

### NIGHT SESSION

Rex West led the song service which opened the night service at Brushy Fork church. C. J. Farthing, vice-moderator, presided. He recognized W. R. Eaton, assistant pastor of Boone Baptist Church, who brought the evening devotion. After some comments, he read Hebrews 6:1-12 and led in prayer.

Mrs. Nora Wilson read the report on Camp Joy, moved its adoption and discussed it, assisted by Rex West, John Ward and C. J. Farthing.

### REPORT OF CAMP JOY

"Magnify Christ," the camp theme for this year, is our aim in all activities of Camp Joy. Many of you have had a part in this through your prayers, your promotion and participation in the development, youth camps, and other meetings.

Outstanding in the development is the construction of the new building, 40 by 60 feet, which was begun June 18 and was ready for use by July 7. The cost in cash was \$2,732.80 with \$836.92 being donated in labor and materials, making a total of \$3,569.72. The amount of \$2,850.00 which included interest for a year, was borrowed — to be paid in three annual payments. This building, used for assembly and recreation, added much to the camping program this year and will prove to be a great asset in the future activities. Other projects were the purchase of a refrigerator and mattress covers by the Associational W. M. U., and the putting in of three showers and three bath booths.

During the year Camp Joy has been used for 22 different meetings by various church groups, B. S. U., youth camps and colored camps. It is hoped that more of the churches will make plans to use the camp during the coming year.

Five youth camps were held during July and August, one for each of the following: 12-15 year girls, 9-11 year girls, 9-15 year boys, 4-6 year boys and girls, and 6-8 year boys and girls. Also, the youth camps sponsored two night meetings in the churches for everyone with emphasis on Y. W. A.'s and missions. We are grateful for all those who worked in these camps and meetings. Many of our own consecrated



men and women, Mrs. Sara Funderburk of Lexington, S. C., Miss Beverly Neilson and Mr. Lloyd Jackson from the state W. M. U. force, and Mrs. H. K. Middleton, missionary to Chile. The Lord's blessings upon all the efforts are most gratifying. In the three camps for junior and intermediate age boys and girls, there were 93 in attendance and of this number there were 25 professions of faith in Christ, 23 rededications, and 9 who felt the call to definite service. "And the name of the Lord was magnified." Acts 19:17. The mission offering from all the camps was \$31.95.

The youth camp plans for 1957 include: Monday to Friday camps for 9-11 year girls, 12-15 year girls, and 9-15 year boys; one-day camps for 4-6 year boys and girls. and 6-8 year boys and girls; and an evening meeting for 16-24 year girls.

The table on Camp Joy carries more detailed information on the youth camps, the use of the camp, and the churches and others having a part in the support of Camp Joy.

"Thank you," two little words with big meaning, to all who have in any way had a part in the work of Camp Joy. We desire your continuing prayers and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Nora M. Wilson

The report on W. M. U. was read by Mrs. Ruby Michael, who moved its adoption. Mrs. Michael introduced Mrs. Blanche Perry, Associational W. M. U. Superintendent, who introduced the speaker for the evening, Mrs. H. K. Middleton, missionary to Chile. As she spoke of W. M. U. work in Chile, through all the organizations, we were challenged to be more faithful in our work here. The report was adopted.

#### REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

We should like to ask you some questions concerning our work and answer them with verses of Scripture, which carry a special meaning to all W. M. U. workers.

1. In what attitude do we go about our work? "We are laborers together with God." I Cor. 3:9. We receive joy and assurance from Rom. 14:17, "For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit."

2. What is the central theme kept before us as we plan our work? "And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up." John 3:14. Our annual W. M. U. meeting was held at Three Forks Church. Mrs. Frank Pool, missionary from Cuba, spoke to us. She showed us how people are drawn to Christ when He is lifted up to them. One of our needs is for more missionaries to be sent to places where they do not know Christ.

3. As we seek to enlist others in the kingdom work, what need do we try to show them? "Say not ye, there are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." John 4:35. We now have reported 16 W. M. U.'s and 26 youth organizations.

4. What do we emphasize in our Missionary Fundamentals?

A. Prayer — both individual and group. "And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." Matt. 21:22.

B. Study. "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Tim. 2:15.

C. Stewardship. "As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same, one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." 1 Peter 4:10.

D. Missions. "And ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1-8b.

5. What about our Missionary Education of Youth? "Let no man despise thy youth: but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity." 1 Tim. 4-12. To guide the young people in our association we have Sunbeams, G. A.'s, R. A.'s, Y. W. A.'s, study courses, seasons of prayer and Camp Joy.

6. What special help do we give to Christian Education? "Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also." 2 Tim. 2:1-2. We have had love offerings for: Margaret Fund, Carver School, our Seminaries, our Denominational Colleges, our four Seasons of Prayer, and our local Scholarship to Fruitland.

7. How do we help our Benevolent Institutions? "We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves." Rom. 15:1. We urge the continued and generous support through the churches of the Baptist Hospital, the Baptist Orphanage, the Baptist Homes for the Aging, and providing linens for the Baptist Hospital.

May the women of Three Forks Association so plan, live, and do the Lord's work that the Holy Spirit can come in and abide with us and continue to bless our work.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Rex West

Mrs. Ruby S. Michael

Guy Cain dismissed the session with prayer.

(Messengers were present from Bethel, Brushy Fork, Boone, Cove Creek, Oak Grove, Perkinsville, Three Forks and Willow Valley churches.)

## SECOND DAY

At 9:00 a.m. Wednesday morning the Association began its session with Rex West leading the singing of "All Hail the Power." For the morning devotion M. D. Hart read John 1:35-46 and led in prayer.

C. J. Farthing, vice-moderator, presided. He recognized Hoyt Roberson, pastor of the host church and then called for the report of the Executive Committee. Mrs. Blanche Perry read the report and R. C. Eggers moved its adoption. C. O. Vance discussed Point 1, C. J. Farthing Point 2, and Clyde R. Greene Point 3. The report was adopted.

### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee met 6 times during the Associational year with an average attendance of 12. It heard reports from the Associational Missionary and Treasurer, all of which were encouraging; approved requests for aid from General Board for Blowing Rock church and Associational Missionary; pledged its support to the Church Enlargement Revival which was held in April; approved Rex West to serve in the capacity of Sunday School Superintendent — made vacant by the resignation of Kent Brown — until the end of the associational year; expressed its willingness for the construction of the proposed new building at Camp Joy, provided satisfactory financial arrangements could be made; approved the use of Camp Joy by colored group from Charlotte and reacted favorably to the request that other denominations be permitted the use of the Camp.

The Committee makes the following recommendations:

1. The Executive Committee has studied carefully the results of its associational missions program, is well-pleased, and feeling the time has come to launch out into a full-time program, recommend that the Association look with favor on the establishment of a full-time program of associational missions and that the Association give the Executive Committee authority to go ahead with plans for work on a full-time basis with expectation that it will be done by the time of the next Fall Session.

2. The Executive Committee favors the efforts of those leaders in charge, for planning and projecting weeks of instruction for preachers, deacons, and teachers, a School of Missions and a Simultaneous Revival Campaign and recommend that plans for these be begun and executed as plans mature.



3. There are some things needed to carry out an effective program at Camp Joy. The Executive Committee recommends that the following, listed in order of their importance, be projected as possible: 1. Miscellaneous repairs needed to the buildings for their preservation; 2. An electric range for cooking facilities, replace present sink with a three-compartment sink and suitable cabinets. (The present stove is completely beyond reasonable and satisfactory use. The three compartment sink is a standard requirement to meet the specifications of the State Board of Health.) 3. Build a fireplace in the new building. (This is considered essential for cold or rainy weather.) 4. Roads improved and graveled, a masonry retaining wall above the kitchen. 5. Playground improvements and additional new equipment. 6. Cabins for visiting workers. 7. General clean up of the grounds. It is planned for next year to have more meetings in order to meet the needs for more age groups in the spiritual training and facilities provided by Camp Joy and the workers.

C. J. Farthing, Chm. of Executive Committee

The Training Union report was read by Mrs. Blanche Perry and the Sunday School report by Rex West. There was no Brotherhood report ready. The reports were adopted as read with discussion to be later.

#### TRAINING UNION REPORT

We have been made to realize that the most effective growth in the kingdom work of God is slow and steady, founded upon deep convictions and practical aims rather than emotional and spasmodic upheavels. During the past year three new Training Unions have been organized in our Association. It is heartening to all of us who try to take an active part in this type of work to see more and more people interested in the training of church membership.

We have endeavored during the past year to follow the Baptist program in a practical way as it applies to our local situation. We have been made to realize more and more that we will do well to seek the advice of our denominational leaders in regard to the program of our denomination. These people are not available to tell us what to do but instead to advise us when we ask.

Our Training Union work this year has included a successful "M" night meeting at which time the yearly program was brought before us, also a "Youth Night" rally which was very successful in that we all, including our young people, were inspired and challenged for greater efforts in God's kingdom.

In order to succeed we cannot dwell upon the past but instead we need to survey our potentialities and plan for the future. The harvest in Three Forks Association is so white and ready for reaping. We find ourselves at a place where we can go forward or if we become complacent we are sure to fall behind.

We recommend that more churches participate in the Training

Union tournaments, and with the services of the Associational Missionary available follow his and the Training Union staff leadership expecting great things of God.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ralph L. Beshears,  
Ass'n Training Union Director

### SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The Apostle Paul in his letter to Timothy admonishes him to, "Study to show thyself approved unto God." This has been and should continue to be the ministry of the Sunday Schools in our association. We feel that God's Word has been made more real to the people in our Association by this ministry during the past year, and many have studied when the Bible has been taught in the Sunday Schools.

We feel that the Sunday School has a very vital place in every church in enlisting, winning and making disciples for Christ and we are encouraged at the interest being shown by the churches in their use of this important agency of the church.

Under the very capable leadership of Mr. Kent Brown and his associates, our associational Sunday School work has progressed very much during the last few years. But due to his health he tendered his resignation as Sunday School Superintendent to the Executive Committee early in the associational year. This resignation was accepted and for several months the organization functioned without a superintendent. However in the April meeting of the Committee Rex West was elected to serve the remainder of the associational year.

We have had 12 associational Sunday School meetings (one each fourth Sunday afternoon) which have been very challenging, inspirational and informative. These meetings have been well attended but attendance could be improved greatly if each Sunday School in the Association would cooperate in making an effort to have all of their officers and teachers present. In several of these meetings we have had group conferences for officers and teachers where methods of enlistment and study have been discussed as well as problems encountered in the individual class room and Sunday School. We have also had an inspirational message at each of these meetings which has proven very helpful in our Sunday School work.

There have been 22 churches having Vacation Bible schools during the past year. These report a very good enrollment, attendance, professions of faith, dedications and several joining the churches. Also a very good offering for world-wide missions through the Cooperative Program has been realized through the Vacation Bible Schools reporting. Therefore, it is hoped that each Sunday School in the Association will see the possibilities which can be accomplished in Vacation Bible Schools and will endeavor to have one in each church within the next year.



We recommend the following:

1. That the Sunday School department continue their monthly meetings, endeavoring to enlist every pastor, Sunday School officer and teacher of each church to attend these meetings.

2. To have Departmental Conferences in each of these meetings.

3. To have an Associational-Wide Better Bible Teaching Clinic, asking our state Sunday School workers to help.

4. That every church observe Bible Study Week in January and Preparation Week in September as suggested by the Southern Baptist Convention, Sunday School Board, as well as one other week of study as the church feels led.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rex W. West

### BROTHERHOOD REPORT

Last year at the time the Three Forks Association met we had seven Brotherhoods among our churches. Today we are happy to report nine active Brotherhoods and we are confident that within the next few weeks we will have at least two more started in our churches. Our aim and the goal which we intend to strive for until we reach it, is a Brotherhood in every church in our Association. We call now for the interest, support and cooperation of every pastor and responsible church leaders to help us achieve this end.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ira S. Ayers,  
Ass'n Brotherhood President

Mr. Farthing recognized Mrs. Blanche Perry who discussed briefly Church Libraries. Also Wade E. Brown who brought the report on Religious Literature. After motion to adopt it was discussed by Mr. Brown and adopted.

### REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Nearly 2000 years ago the Apostle Paul said, "Give attention to reading." He knew today, that God's people must read to strengthen their faith, to increase their knowledge, to open their vision, to inspire their minds. Christian literature must ever be dedicated to the furtherance of the Gospel and the whole work of the Lord through His people and His churches. Like some evil flood today, the swelling tide of bad literature has come to deceive all who will, covers and attractive print, as it bedecks every news stand and lures the heedless person to take and read. To stem this ugly tide, is the solid array of well printed, sound Christian periodicals, books, and other good literature to meet every interest.

It is impossible to overestimate the power of the printed page. Words have wings and printed words can get in many places where the spoken word cannot reach. Baptists ought to make much use of Christian literature; much of it comes from Baptist presses. It must be read, promoted, and used widely by our people in their homes and churches. Nowhere can the whole program of Christ be so fully carried, people reached so completely, so constantly, so cheaply and so successfully as through the Baptist Literature.

"The promotion of missions, education, social service and the distribution of sound religious literature" was the main purpose of the Baptist State Convention of N. C. when it was organized in 1830. Shortly afterwards, in 1833, the BIBLICAL RECORDER was founded to help carry out the high aim and purpose of our Baptist forefathers. For 123 years, since the Recorder along with other fine literature that is published by our Southern Baptist Convention has sought to do that, it is the desire of the committee, all the pastors, Sunday School superintendents, Training Union directors, Brotherhood and W. M. U. presidents and all other officers of our churches, to promote the reading of the Bible and all the other literature published by our Southern Baptist Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Glenn Huffman

Wade E. Brown

Bill Spradlin, associate in the State Training Union Department, was recognized.

Because Jack Bagwell, speaker for the Sunday School report, had not arrived, Rex West discussed it. He stressed the importance of teaching the Word of God and said if we teach and work in our Sunday Schools for the glory of God, God will bless our efforts.

Guy Cain, general missionary for the western area of N. C., explained the type of work he would be doing — it would include every phase of work which Southern Baptists promote. He emphasized especially those things recommended under Point 2 of the Executive Committee's report.

Wade E. Brown introduced Otis Haigler, newest member of the staff in Raleigh, who presented the work of State Missions. He quoted Matthew 28:18-20 and after a few introductory remarks, speaking out of personal experiences, told of the work of North Carolina Baptists through the many ministries of State Missions as we seek to carry out the commands of Christ in making His name known. And His name will be known when we plan an adequate program for all our churches and out of that which is brought into our churches on Sunday morning, share with others.

The report of the Finance Committee, appointed by the Moderator, was read by Clyde R. Greene.

Received from the churches -----	\$257.30
Paid to Treasurer -----	257.30

The report on Resolutions was read by George Hagaman. These reports were adopted as read.

### REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, the One Hundred Sixteenth Session of our Association has been most inspiring and outstanding, and

Whereas, our officers have rendered efficient service to the Association and have made every effort to make the present session successful, now, therefore be it resolved,

1. That we express to the people of Howard's Creek (Spring Session), Pleasant Grove, Brushy Fork (Night Session), and Bethel our deep appreciation for their hospitality.

2. That we express to Rev. Hollingsworth and Brother Carter Farthing, who are retiring, as well as our other officers our thanks for their services rendered throughout the year.

A. E. Moretz  
G. P. Hagaman  
Robert Greene

C. J. Farthing recognized C. O. Vance, incoming Moderator, who presided for remainder of the Session.

Clyde R. Greene read the report on Associational Progress. The motion was to adopt, when two additions had been made. Mr. Greene discussed the report with special emphasis on Sunday School attendance. The report was adopted.

### ASSOCIATIONAL PROGRESS

	1955	1956	Gain or Loss
Number of Churches -----	45	45	Same
Membership -----	8377	8603	226 Gain
Baptisms -----	229	261	32 Gain
Sunday School Enrollment -----	6133	5946	187 Loss
Training Union Enrollment -----	1491	1417	74 Loss
W. M. U. Enrollment -----	529	614	85 Gain
Brotherhood Enrollment -----	237	278	41 Gain
Vacation Bible Schools -----	25	22	3 Loss
Vacation Bible School Enrollment --	1782	1518	264 Loss
Local Contributions -----	\$117,586.26	\$137,202.47	\$20,616.21 Gain
Missions and Benevolences --	20,383.58	25,611.17	5,222.62 Gain
Total Contributions -----	137,969.84	162,813.64	25,838.83 Gain

### Some Interesting Facts

Bethany—Licensed Ben Hicks

Bethel—Installed Baptistry

Blowing Rock—Ordained Ernest Banner, Jr.; Licensed Robert Francis Greene.

Boone—Built new building for Mission

Brushy Fork—Ordained Earl Colvard

Cove Creek—Became Standard Sunday School

Forest Grove—Installed new pews

Gap Creek—Installed New Pews

Meat Camp—Beautified cemetery and church grounds

Mount Gilead—Built new building

Poplar Grove—Licensed Robert Setzer

South Fork—Ordained Eugene Seatz

Willow Valley—Installed new pews

Bethany—Vacation Bible School enrollment larger than Sunday School enrollment.

Boone Mission—Began full-time program.

In absence of Glenn Gentry who was to have brought the morning message and also Maurice Cooper, alternate, G. C. Cox made a motion that the time be given Jack Bagwell, Sunday School area representative from Morganton.

After singing "Come Thou Fount," Mr. Bagwell presented some interesting facts about Sunday Schools. Of particular interest was the statement that of the Sunday School gains in six major denominations in the United States, Southern Baptist Convention gains were greater than all others combined. This is because the major emphasis of Southern Baptists is winning to Christ, teaching God's Word and enlisting in God's program. Great stress was laid on the observance of Preparation Week September 23-30.

Hoyt Roberson made an announcement in regard to lunch, pronounced the benediction and gave thanks for the lunch.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

Following the song service, the Moderator recognized William H. Smith who read Phil. 3:1-15, commented on, "That I may know Him," and led in prayer.

Clyde R. Greene made the Treasurer's report which was adopted. He then presented the proposed budget for 1956-1957 which was also adopted with whatever changes the Executive Committee might deem necessary during the year.



## TREASURER'S REPORT — ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS FUND

Balance Associational Missions Fund -----	\$1191.65
Balance Designated for Camp Joy -----	235.52
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Total Balance August 30, 1955 -----	\$1427.17

## Received:

Minute Fund -----	\$ 381.75
Designated Camp Joy -----	723.94
Note -----	2850.00
Revival -----	564.28
J. Hoyt Roberson -----	250.00
State Baptist Convention -----	1230.00
From 16 Churches -----	2436.81
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Total Received ----- 8436.78

Total Receipts ----- \$9863.95

## Paid Out:

Minutes -----	\$ 327.50
Clerk -----	50.00
Programs, Postage -----	26.95
	\$ 404.45
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Lights Camp Joy -----	63.01
Account-Farmers Hardware ---	333.95
Interest -----	142.50
New Building-Camp Joy -----	2732.80
Showers -----	140.00
Note -----	525.00
	\$3937.26
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Revival -----	\$ 564.28	564.28
Salary Associational Missionary	3000.00	
Expenses -----	451.25	
Retirement -----	110.02	3561.27
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Vacation Bible Schools ----- 30.00 30.00

Total Paid Out ----- \$8497.26

Balance Cash ----- \$1366.69



We owe Northwestern Bank, note for Camp Joy -- \$2850.00

Church	Camp Joy and Ass'n Missionary
Bethel -----	\$ 60.00
Blowing Rock -----	131.30
Boone -----	1050.00
Brushy Fork -----	90.76
Cove Creek -----	300.85
Howard's Creek -----	35.00
Laurel Springs -----	120.00
Mabel -----	60.00
Meat Camp -----	123.00
Oak Grove -----	455.00
Perkinsville -----	221.65
Pleasant Grove -----	22.00
Poplar Grove -----	35.00
Proffitt Grove -----	32.00
Rutherwood -----	88.00
South Fork -----	75.60

#### SUGGESTED BUDGET FOR 1956-1957

Estimated Receipts -----		\$5,902.00
Expenditure:		
Associational Missionary's Salary -----	\$1,800.00	
Expenses -----	600.00	
Retirement -----	120.00	
Convention Expenses -----	150.00	2,670.00
Camp Joy—Buildings and Upkeep -----		2,532.00
Printing and Distributing Minutes -----	400.00	
Clerk -----	50.00	
Sunday School -----	25.00	
Training Union -----	25.00	
Brotherhood -----	25.00	
Woman's Missionary Union -----	25.00	
Vacation Bible Schools -----	150.00	700.00
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		\$5,902.00

Mr. Vance recognized Roger Williams, pastor of Mills Home Baptist Church, who represented the Baptist Orphanage. He brought greetings from the Orphanage staff, stressed the Thanksgiving offering and gave thanks for all Baptists are doing for the Mills Home family.

The report on Public Morals was read by G. C. Cox, after motion to adopt it was discussed by Rex Campbell, West Jefferson, and R. M. Haus, representing the Allied Church League. Mr. Campbell said the evils of alcoholic beverages, gambling, cheating in public schools, human relationships, obscene literature, divorce and juvenile delinquency will be solved in social life when we solve them in our individual life. Mr. Haus spoke of Committment Day in Baptist churches the first Sunday in December and referred to the petitions being sent to the 1957 General Assembly. R. C. Eggers, chairman for Watauga county, stated that the petitions had been distributed and urged those who hadn't signed to do so. The report was adopted.

### PUBLIC MORALS

As to a report on Public Morals, I can not give to you a statistical report. I can say what all of us know, that many people, including many church members, are not living up to the moral principles which God has outlined for us in His Holy Word, and which the Lord Jesus Christ proclaimed to us in His preaching and teaching. We need only to "lift up our eyes and look on the fields," and there we see the report on Public Morals; we see evil, all kinds of evil.

We see the distilling, and the sale, and the consumption of alcoholic beverages; we see the liquor dealers trying to force liquor stores upon the people of every city, town and village; we see them promoting an aggressive and concerted program of publicity and education to get everybody they can to drink, and especially the young people. We see alcoholics, broken homes, sorrow and suffering, poverty, disease, death, and hell resulting from the sale and use of alcohol as a beverage.

We see immorality. We see separation and divorce of husbands and wives, and broken homes and scattered families. We see juvenile delinquency to the extent that even our national government is alarmed. We see intoxicated drivers, hot rod and drag racing on our highways.

Seeing these evils, we hear the Lord Jesus Christ say, "The evil one has done it: the one whose nature and being is evil, and whose aggressive and concerted program is evil; "The evil one has done it."

The antidote to this evil one and his evil program is Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord of sinful men, and His Gospel and teachings lived out in their lives. Therefore the Southern Baptist Convention, of which we are a part, is at this very time, promoting a crusade for Christian Morality, and is calling on every Baptist State Convention, and Association, and Church and pastor, and church member to unite in an aggressive and concerted Crusade for Christian Morality. This program is a five point program with emphasis as follows:

1. The need for PERSONAL REGENERATION as the foundation of morality. The entire program will stress the need for spiritual rebirth as the first step toward a life that is pleasing to God, morally sound, and beneficial to others.

2. The importance of HONESTY in all areas of life. Personal integrity, good business ethics, uprightness in government, and mutual fairness between capital and labor are some of the phases of this subject which need vigorous restatement and renewed commitment in the light of prevailing conditions.

3. The imperative of CLEAN LIVING. The accepted moral standards of our day have departed widely from God's commandments. A clear call must be sounded to personal chastity, purity in thought and word, loyalty to marriage vows, and a higher level of sexual morality in literature and entertainment.

4. The practice of CIVIC RIGHTEOUSNESS in personal, community, and national life, Christian concepts of the responsibilities of citizenship must be recognized as the only answer to lawlessness and crime, to gambling and vice rings, and to corrupt practices in government.

5. The necessity for ABSTINENCE FROM ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES on the part of Christians. Christian people must give the answer of personal abstinence to the growing practice of social drinking. Education in the evils of strong drink must give the rebuttal to the unscrupulous publicity and sales campaigns of the makers of alcoholic beverages.

Fellow Christians of the Three Forks Baptist Association, let us accept this basic and aggressive Five Point Program for Christian Morality, and let us preach it and teach it in our churches and in our homes, and let us live it out in our personal lives.

Respectfully submitted

G. Carlton Cox

Glenn South

Rex West moved that reports be prepared on Benevolences and Brotherhood and included in the minutes. It was so ordered.

Clyde R. Greene made the motion that the Clerk be authorized to supervise the printing and distribution of the minutes and be given \$50.00 for her services. The motion carried.

Rex West made a motion that we dispense with the reading of the minutes, the Clerk prepare them and the Clerk and Moderator approve them before sending to the printers.

Wade E. Brown made the report on Time, Place and Preacher. It was adopted as read.

Time: Tuesday and Wednesday after fourth Sunday in August, 1957.

Place: First Day, Cove Creek.

Second Day, Mount Lebanon.

Spring Session, Friendship.

Preacher: First Day, Rex West; alternate, Ed Crump.

Second Day, Glenn Huffman; alternate, Herbert McCoy.

Spring Session, E. M. Blankenship; alternate, Glenn South.

While Mrs. Hoyt Roberson played soft organ music, Mrs. Dorothy Greene read "Crossing the Bar," "Thanatopsis" and the names of OUR BELOVED DEAD. The congregation stood reverently in memory of them and Hoyt Roberson led the Memorial Prayer.

On suggestion of C. O. Vance, the Clerk was asked to include in the minutes a report of the American Bible Society.

#### REPORT OF AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

There are two missionary principles which are true in all lands. People must have the Bible because it presents Jesus Christ, the one hope of men and nations and each person must have the Bible in his own language because it speaks to his heart as no other language can speak. The Bible itself is a missionary. It goes where the human missionary cannot go. It can stay on after he must leave — and keep on speaking to a man's heart.

The American Bible Society aids in Bible translation, publishes the Scriptures without note or comment and distributes them without profit, usually below cost. For the Blind it supplies Scriptures in raised-letter systems and on Talking Book records. The Bible Society serves every form of Southern Baptist mission work around the world.

During 1955 the American Bible Society distributed throughout the world almost 15 million volumes of Scriptures. Southern Baptists support the work because the Bible Society serves mission work and because Southern Baptist missionaries depend on the Society for Scriptures they need for distribution in their own work. Southern Baptist churches should give to the American Bible Society. The help of every church is needed. Has your own church given this year? Please send your gifts to our Baptist state office marked for The American Bible Society.

C. O. Vance expressed his willingness to be of service to every church in the Association and his desire to visit every church.



Hoyt Roberson announced that Mr. and Mrs. Lee Swift were celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary, having been married at the Association 50 years before when it had met with Shulls Mills Baptist Church. After the benediction they received congratulations from their many friends.

With the singing of "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," Mr. Vance declared the One Hundred Sixteenth Session of the Three Forks Baptist Association adjourned until the Spring Session or until called in special session by the Executive Committee.

Smith Hagaman led the closing prayer.

L. H. Hollingsworth, Moderator  
Mrs. Blanche Perry, Clerk

### OUR BELOVED DEAD

#### ANTIOCH

Mrs. Jane Tester

Mr. Phil Shull

#### BEAVER DAM

Mrs. J. S. Snyder

Mrs. Carrie Isaacs

#### BEECH VALLEY

Mrs. Anna Phillips

#### BETHEL

Mr. Jake Arnette

Dr. H. B. Perry

Mr. Frank Vines

Mrs. Ed Farthing

Mr. J. B. Farthing

#### BLOWING ROCK

Mrs. Sarah Harrison Hodges

Mrs. Blanche Wooten Tucker

Mr. William Lee Robbins

Mr. E. C. Coker

#### BOONE

Mrs. T. Len Cook

Mrs. Roy Hagaman

Mrs. Glenn Richardson

Mr. Stewart Winkler

Dr. J. C. Farthing

Mr. John W. Hodges, Sr.

Mrs. J. W. Whitehead

#### BRUSHY FORK

Mr. Andy Greer

#### ELK KNOB

Mr. Wesley Sluder

#### FRIENDSHIP

Mrs. Rosa May

#### FOREST GROVE

Mr. Sam Hodges

Mrs. Joe Eller

#### GREEN VALLEY

Mr. George Hicks

#### LAUREL SPRINGS

Mr. Amos Stanbery

Mr. Arthur Greene

#### MEAT CAMP

Mrs. Rhoda Winkler

Mr. James Proffitt

Mr. B. J. Davis

#### MOUNTAIN DALE

Miss Venia Norris

Mrs. Letha Moody

#### MOUNT CALVARY

Mrs. Callie Smith



Mrs. Leatha Gualtney  
 Mrs. Melvina Younce  
 Mrs. W. B. Greene  
 Mr. Paul Chappell

## MOUNT GILEAD

Mr. John C. Isaacs

## MOUNT LEBANON

Mr. Jimmie Earp  
 Mr. Stanford Harmon

## OAK GROVE

Mr. Edward Mast  
 Mr. George Hicks  
 Deacon W. G. Presnell  
 Mrs. Candas H. Greene

## PERKINSVILLE

Rev. N. M. Greene  
 Mr. David McGuire

## PLEASANT GROVE

Mr. Nineveh Eggers  
 Mr. Ira Mitchell  
 Mr. Hiram Wilson  
 Mr. Harley Cooke

## POPLAR GROVE

Mr. Henry Main

## PROFFITT'S GROVE

Mrs. Nannie Wilson  
 Mr. Clay Miller

## SOUTH FORK

Deacon E. R. Mikeal  
 Lowell Tatum Norris

## STONY FORK

Mr. M. L. Greene

## THREE FORKS

Mr. Frank Bolick  
 Mrs. Ethel Hollars  
 Mr. Lloyd Hayes

## UNION

Mr. John Swift  
 Mr. Harrison Stanbery

## WILLOWDALE

Mr. W. W. Campbell

## ZION HILL

Mr. Arthur Cannon  
 Mr. Joe Trivette  
 Deacon M. A. Ward

## ZIONVILLE

Mr. Dave Wilson

## MIDDLE FORK

Mr. Edward Elrod

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPRING SESSION OF THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Spring Session of Three Forks Baptist Association met with Howard's Creek Baptist Church May 22, 1956 with representatives from 22 churches present.

W. M. Hodges led the song service which opened the meeting, the theme of which was "Baptists — Opportunities and Challenges."

L. H. Hollingsworth, Moderator, declared the Spring Session in order, expressed appreciation to Howard's Creek church and Glenn South, pastor, for the privilege of meeting there, recognized the 14 pastors present, A. E. Moretz, minister but not pastor, and Lloyd Culler, Lenoir.

Glenn Huffman read selected passages of Scripture, commented briefly and led in prayer.

Mr. Hollingsworth introduced Rev. W. P. Biggerstaff, representative of the Allied Church League of North Carolina,

who presented a petition which he urged all eligible voters of Watauga county to sign and send to the 1957 General Assembly requesting a state-wide referendum on the question of the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages in North Carolina. Quoting facts and figures he showed that 50% of crime is alcohol-related and a program of prevention is needed as well as rehabilitation. He closed by saying that to combat the evil there should be a program of legislation, education and evangelism.

Following Mr. Biggerstaff's suggestion that the county be organized, Mr. Hollingsworth stated that R. C. Eggers had agreed to serve as general chairman for circulating the petition among the churches and people and he and Hoyt Roberson would work with him.

Julian Hopkins, newly elected secretary of Evangelism for North Carolina, was introduced.

After singing "Revive Us Again" Mr. Hopkins read 2 Timothy 4:1-5 and stirred hearts to self-examination as he spoke on the Southern Baptist Convention program of Evangelism which he said was Christ-centered, Bible-based and all-demanding.

W. M. Hodges led another song service followed by announcements and the introduction of Paul Phipps, pastor of Meat Camp and Proffit's Grove churches, who led the morning worship service. He read Mark 6:32-44 and M. D. Hart led in prayer. Taking as his subject, "Jesus seeing the multitudes," he related his message to those which had already been brought and challenged us to see a lost and needy world as Jesus saw it.

Raymond Hendrix pronounced the benediction and included thanks for the noon meal which followed.

### LUNCH

After the song service following lunch, Hoyt Roberson led in prayer.

C. J. Farthing presided over a brief business session. Stressing the opportunities of Camp Joy for ministering to the people not only of our own county but of other places also, he explained the urgent need for another building. He asked that the Association authorize the Executive Committee to study intently the need for the building, and if the decision is favorable, work out a long range plan whereby the building could be constructed this year without impairing any other phase of our associational program. Roby Vines made the

motion which, with brief discussion, was adopted. Mr. Farthing then announced a special called meeting of the Executive Committee for May 25 at Oak Grove to discuss the need.

Mr. Hollingsworth announced the program committee to plan for the Fall Session of the Association: James Sherwood, chairman, Paul Phipps, Glenn South, and Mrs. Rex West.

The Executive Committee asked the Association to approve its decision to let the colored group from Charlotte use the facilities of Camp Joy again this summer, explaining that they would invest \$150.00 in the upkeep of the camp if allowed to do so. A. E. Moretz made the motion which was seconded by R. F. Townsend and approved.

The closing message "Baptists and their Doctrines" was brought by Mr. Hollingsworth. Following the reading of scattered verses from Paul's letter to Galatia, he spoke on the very heart of Baptist beliefs, ably and forcibly discussing each — Baptists are unanimously agreed on: 1—The Lordship of Jesus Christ and no other; 2—Primacy of the Scriptures; 3—Priesthood of the believer. He stressed that we be loyal to God, to the need of humankind, and dedicate our all to the work of the Lord.

The hours of fellowship and worship, which had been informing, inspiring, and challenging, were ended with prayer by Mr. Hollingsworth.

#### MINUTES OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Blanche Perry, Superintendent, presided when the forty-third annual session of Woman's Missionary Union was held at Three Forks Church April 10, 1956, beginning at 4:00 P.M. The theme of this session was "His Commission . . . Our Mission."

The meeting began with the singing of our missionary hymn of the year, "The Kingdom Is Coming."

For the devotional period Rev. C. O. Vance, pastor of Oak Grove Church, read some select passages of scripture. Rev. Maurice Cooper sang "Open Mine Eyes That I May See," after which Rev. Vance led in prayer.

Mrs. Perry Recognized Mrs. Earl C. James, Regional Superintendent, Miss Janet Wilson, State W. M. U. Representative and Mrs. Frank Pool, Missionary guest. Also the following pastors were recognized: C. O. Vance, Rex West, Homer Greene, Maurice Cooper, Hoyt Roberson. E. O. Gore, Raymond Hendrix. Dwight Long, and Glenn South.

Rev. Homer Greene, pastor of the host church, gave a word of welcome to all attending the meeting.

Mrs. Earl C. James, Regional Superintendent brought greetings from the other Associations in the Wilkesboro Region. She reported that there are 13 Associations in the region with 253 churches in these Associations, having missionary societies. Mrs. James also reported that only one-third of the WMU women in these 13 Associations tithe and this is a great challenge for us to do more in our missionary work because "His Commission" is "Our Mission."

Mrs. Perry brought out the fact that "His Commission" is "Our Mission" in our own Association. There is a great challenge to our own societies to go out and look on the fields, to pray, study and plan and think of our WMU watchword: "For we serve the Lord Christ."

Mrs. Johnnie Sherwood, Associate Superintendent, reported that one new society had been organized. This makes a total of sixteen societies in the Association with 353 members. Mrs. Sherwood also reported that one Young Woman's Auxiliary, one Girl's Auxiliary and one Sunbeam Band has been organized. Our goal for this year is two of each of these organizations.

Mrs. Daisy Greene gave a report on Missionary Fundamentals. These fundamentals are Prayer, Study, Stewardship and Community Missions.

Mrs. C. J. Farthing gave a report as Prayer Chairman.

Mrs. Daisy Adams gave a report on Carver School of Missions and the Margaret Fund. She reported that we have five students at Mars Hill, four students at Wake Forest and two at Wingate Colleges.

Rev. Robert Setzer, expressed his grateful appreciation for the money that was given to him from the Fruitland Scholarship Fund.

After the song, "O Zion Haste" by the congregation, Miss Janet Wilson, State WMU representative, gave a very inspirational and challenging talk on "His Commission — Our Mission." God has a purpose and plan for each of us. All of us have been commissioned by God, if we are his followers. All of us need to be committed to this commission.

The afternoon session was closed with special music and prayer by Rev. Rex West, who also gave thanks for the evening meal that was prepared and served by the host church.

#### NIGHT SESSION

After a most delicious and generous supper the group was called in for worship by soft music.

The congregation joined in singing "We've A Story To Tell," and Rev. Glenn South conducted a short devotional period.

Mrs. Nora Wilson, Associational Young People's Leader, gave an interesting talk on the "Great Commission and Youth." She reported that eight churches now have youth organizations. John Ward discussed



the subject, "What about the boys?" Austin Adams told the group what Camp Joy means to him as a Royal Ambassador.

The Appreciation Committee, Mrs. Hoyt Roberson and Mrs. Dorothy Greene, gave the following report:

"We extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to the Woman's Missionary Union of Three Forks Baptist Church for their hospitality shown us through this meeting, to those who have planned and participated in this program and to Mrs. Carl C. James, Miss Janet Wilson and Mrs. Frank Pool, guest speakers."

Mrs. Joe L. Coffey, Sr., brought the report of the obituary committee.

IN MEMORIAM

The past year our Heavenly Father has called from our members the following: Miss Annie Ragan of Rutherwood, and Mrs. E. J. Farthing of Bethel. We are thankful for the lives of these our sisters and may we stand for a moment of silent meditation in memory of them.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Howard Parlier  
Mrs. Joe L. Coffey, Sr.

The time and place committee reported that the next annual session would be held at Cove Creek Church.

The roll call of churches found Bethel with 4 members present; Blowing Rock 16; Boone 13; Brushy Fork 6; Cove Creek 23; Laurel Springs 6; Mabel 3; Oak Grove 17; Perkinsville 24; Pleasant Grove 5; Poplar Grove 3; Rutherwood 2; Stony Fork 7; Three Forks 26; Willowdale 2 and Visitors 10, making a total of 167 present, with fifteen societies represented. The offering was \$37.00.

The report of the nominating committee was given by Mrs. Mabel Berry:

Superintendent	_____	Mrs. Blanche Perry
Associate Superintendent	_____	Mrs. James Sherwood
Secretary-Treasurer	_____	Miss Alma G. Hodges
Director of Missionary Fundamentals	_____	Mrs. Troy Greene
Prayer Chairman	_____	Mrs. C. J. Farthing
Mission Study Chairman	_____	Mrs. Roby Greer
Community Missions Chairman	_____	Mrs. Cling Hodges
Stewardship Chairman	_____	Mrs. Maxie Edmisten
Literature Chairman	_____	Mrs. Ted Hagaman
Margaret Fund - Carver School Chairman	_____	Mrs. Alfred Adams
Young People's Director	_____	Mrs. Nora M. Wilson
Y. W. A. Leader	_____	Mrs. John E. Ward
G. A. Leader	_____	Mrs. Mack Austin
R. A. Leader	_____	Mr. John E. Ward



Sunbeam Leader ----- Mrs. Hayes Wellborn  
 Nominating Committee for 1957 ----- Mrs. Jack Edmisten  
 Mrs. Blanche Hendrix  
 Mrs. Mabel Berry

Rev. Hoyt Robertson presided during the installation of officers and led the dedicatory prayer.

The Treasurer's report was read:

Balance in Treasurer ----- \$46.95

Paid out for WMU Expenses ----- 42.84

TOTAL ----- \$ 4.11

Received from Societies ----- 67.70

BALANCE ----- \$71.81

Balance in Memorial Fund ----- 17.00

Received at Annual Meeting ----- 28.00

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 \$45.00

Paid to Robert Setzer, Fruitland Scholarship ----- 45.00

BALANCE ----- \$ 0.00

Rev. Dwight Long and Mrs. Grace Mast sang a special song "Satisfied With Jesus," after which Mrs. Frank Pool, Missionary Guest, brought the closing message on "His Commission in Cuba." Mrs. Pool brought a challenge to each one present of the need for missionaries in Cuba.

The session was closed with prayer by Mrs. Pool.

Mrs. Blanche Perry, Superintendent  
Alma G. Hodges, Secretary

### ORDAINED MINISTERS

Minister	Address	Church
Vaughn Greene	Reese	Beaver Dam
Carl Wilson	Reese	
E. J. Farthing	Sugar Grove	Bethel
J. H. Crisp	Lenoir	
J. Hoyt Roberson	Sugar Grove	
J. M. Hodges	Blowing Rock	Blowing Rock
G. Carlton Cox	Blowing Rock	
L. H. Hollingsworth	Boone	Boone
D. M. Edmisten	Boone	
W. F. Smith	Boone	
John Davis, S. W.	Boone	
W. R. Eaton	Boone	
Earl Colvard	Vilas	Brushy Fork
Ronda Earp	Vilas	
Grady Minton	Vilas	
W. C. Payne	Blowing Rock	Cool Springs
Howard Shore	Lenoir	
Edward Petersen	Lenoir	
Albert Tester	Reece	
Ernest M. Blankenship	Sherwood	Cove Creek
Noah F. Johnson	Todd	Elk Knob
Glenn South	Trade, Tenn.	Friendship
David Greene	Vilas	Forest Grove
Fred Hagaman	Vilas	
W. C. Greene	Boone	Laurel Springs
A. E. Moretz	Boone	Meat Camp
James Matney	Cordell, Okla.	Middle Fork
R. H. Shore	Blowing Rock	
Glenn Gentry	Elk Park	Mount Calvary
Roby Painter	Banner Elk	Mount Calvary
C. O. Vance	Boone	Oak Grove

Troy Danner	Valle Crucis	Mount Lebanon
E. O. Gore	Zionville	Pleasant Grove
Robert Proffit	Boone	Proffits Grove
Rex W. West	Boone	Perkinsville
H. H. Smith	Deep Gap	Stony Fork
Bynum Trivette	Deep Gap	
Raymond Hendrix	Boone	Three Forks
Homer Greene	Deep Gap	
Arent Greer	Trade, Tenn.	Union
Barney Oliver	Trade, Tenn.	
Robert Allen	Rominger	White Rock
William H. Smith	Banner Elk	
K. Maurice Cooper	Vilas	Willowdale
L. H. Hagaman	Reece	Zion Hill
R. C. Eggers	Zionville	Zionville
Dewey Trivette	Zionville	
Bruce South	Mountain City, Tenn.	

## LICENTIATES

George Glenn	Sugar Grove	Antioch
A. T. Watson	Rominger	Bethany
Ben Hicks (1956)	Banner Elk	
Gold Hicks	Rominger	
Robert Francis Greene (1956)	Blowing Rock	Blowing Rock
Robert Greene	Banner Elk, Rt. 1	Clark's Creek
Basil Tester	Banner Elk, Rt. 1	
Millard Rominger	Vilas	Forest Grove
A. C. Ward	Reece	Greene Valley
Robert Setzer (1956)	Boone, Rt. 3	Poplar Grove
John Ward	Reece	Timbered Ridge
Paul Arnette	Banner Elk	White Rock
Lawrence Greene	Banner Elk	
Oscar Ward	Sugar Grove	Willow Valley

## ORDAINED THIS YEAR

Ernest Banner, Jr.	Latta, S. C.	Blowing Rock
Earl Colvard	Vilas	Brushy Fork
Eugene Seatz	Bakersville	South Fork

TABLE	YOUTH CAMPS 1956										AUG 30, '55-AUG. 29, '56	UPKEEP, BUILDINGS, DEVELOPMENT AUG. 30, 1955-AUG. 29, 1956		
	ATTENDANCE						CAMP WORKERS	FOOD DONATED	CAMP USED	CASH		LABOR & DONATIONS: EQUIPMENT UPKEEP	TOTAL	
	12-15 YR GIRLS JULY 2-6	9-11 YR GIRLS JULY 9-16	9-15 YR BOYS JULY 16-20	4-6 YR SB AUG 21	6-8 YR SB AUG. 22	TOTAL								
Antioch			1			1								
Beaver Dam														
Beach Valley														
Bethany														
Bethel			4	2	1	7	1	X		9.00	9.00			
Blowing Rock							1	X		27.50	27.50			
Bone, First	2	4	6			12	2	X		45.50	45.50			
Bone Mission	2	2	9	4		17	2	X						
Bushy Fork	2					2		X		12.00	12.00			
Clarks Creek														
Coal Springs														
Cove Creek	5	4	5			14	5	X	3	271.95	280.66	552.61		
Clark Knob														
Crest Grove														
Friendship														
Harp Creek														
Green Valley														
Hammonds Creek														
Hawthorn Springs	1	1				2				3.75	3.75			
Hebel								X	2	19.25	19.25			
Heat Camp							1							
Hiddle Fork														
Mountain Dale														
Mount Calvary														
Mount Gilead														
Mount Lebanon														
Nak Grove	4	2	5	13	1	25	7	X		310.00	57.00	367.00		
Nerkinville	4	5	6			15	5	X	2	440.50	444.50			
Nesant Grove	1	1	2			4	2	X	3	7.50	53.70	61.20		
Noplar Grove	1					1				12.00	12.00			
Nroffitt Grove														
Nich Mountain														
Nutherfordwood	1					1			1	10.00	10.00			
Nhulls Mills														
Nouth Fork														
Nony Fork	2	4				6	2	X		58.76	58.76			
Nabernacle														
Nhree Forks						2	2	1	X	27.75	27.75			
Nhimered Ridge														
Nhion														
Nhanderpool														
Nhite Rock														
Nhillowdale	1		3	3	1	8	2	X	1	28.77	14.41	14.41		
Nhillow Valley										10.00	38.77			
Nhion Hill										25.00	25.00			
Nhionville										14.92	59.29	74.21		
Nouth Camps									5					
Napt. Stud. U.									1					
Nasn. Miss. F.										209.02	209.02			
Nothers		3		1		4	5		2	181.90	67.80	249.70		
TOTALS	26	26	41	23	5	121	36	13	22	1049.06	1212.87	2261.93		

**Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP**

CHURCHES	1 Location Rural V-T-C	2 Date Organized	3 Days of Week	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES		LOSSES	GAINS	TOTAL						SPECIAL INFORMATION		
				Pastor	Address			Number Tithers	Revival Meetings Held	Number Jews Baptized	Grand Total Present Members	Total Non-Resident Members	Total Resident Members	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Letters and Other Additions	Baptisms
Antioch	R	1849	1-3	Carl Wilson, Reece, N.C.		6	4	4	207	0	2	0	No	No	0	603.50
Beaver Dam	R	1874	2-4	J. H. Craig, Lenoir, N.C.		2	0	0	225	97	1	0	No	No	0	704.46
Beech Valley	R	1941	2-4	L. H. Haggaman, Reece, N.C.		4	1	0	104	19	1	0	No	No	0	360.00
Bethany	R	1893	2-4	J. Hoyt Roberson, Sugar Grove		17	4	4	158	58	2	0	Yes	No	0	363.05
Bethel	T	1903	All	G. Carlton Cox, Blowing Rock		6	11	3	220	63	2	30	Yes	Yes	0	2,999.00
Blowing Rock	C	1870	All	L. H. Hollingsworth, Boone		17	45	85	1067	256	1	125	Yes	Yes	1	16,000.00
Brushy Fork	R	1858	All	Ed Crump, Vilas, N.C.		0	1	9	189	63	0	30	No	No	0	1,200.00
Clark's Creek	R	1898	1-3	C. H. Helton, Hudson, N.C.		12	0	2	100	32	2	0	No	No	0	300.00
Cool Springs	R	1888	2-4	J. H. Crisp, Lenoir, N.C.		8	0	1	133	62	1	0	No	No	0	340.61
Cove Creek	V	1799	All	E. M. Blankenship, Sherwood		14	7	7	259	88	1	33	Yes	No	0	3,120.00
Elk Knob	R	1890	2	Billie Trivette, Damascus, Va.		5	0	1	65	21	2	0	No	No	0	175.00
Forest Grove	R	1889	2-4	Carl Wilson, Reece		4	5	3	174	32	2	0	No	No	0	363.32
Friendship	R	1948	1-4	Lawrence Haggaman, Reece		1	1	4	80	20	1	0	No	No	0	350.06
Gap Creek	R	1887	2-4	Frank Walker, North Wilkesboro		13	9	4	128	40	1	0	No	No	0	600.00
Green Valley	R	1946	1-3	M. F. Johnson, Todd		12	2	6	124	21	2	0	No	No	0	450.00
Howard's Creek	R	1882	1-3	Glenn South, Trade, Tenn.		11	1	1	136	86	2	0	No	No	0	398.25
Laurel Springs	R	1873	All	Ed Crump, Vilas, c/o Post Master		7	2	3	325	140	2	3	No	No	0	1,441.00
Mabel	R	1948	1-4	E. O. Gore, Zionville		2	2	1	67	22	1	10	No	No	0	900.00
Meat Camp	R	1851	All	Bernard Tuttle, Lenoir		10	2	7	222	49	2	1	Yes	No	0	1,200.00
Middle Fork	R	1905	2-4	J. H. Crisp, Lenoir		2	0	3	119	34	1	0	No	No	0	379.19
Mountain Dale	R	1941	1-3	Carl Wilson, Reece		5	4	3	105	45	2	0	No	No	0	333.00
Mount Calvary	V	1880	All	Glenn Gentry, Elk Park		0	0	6	204	107	1	3	Yes	No	0	1,800.00
Mount Gilead	R	1876	1-3	Arnt Greer, Trade, Tenn.		1	1	2	84	44	1	0	No	No	0	190.40
Mount Lebanon	R	1891	1-3	L. H. Haggaman, Reece		19	9	11	279	62	3	0	No	No	0	600.00



Pleasant Grove	R	1891	All	E. O. Gore, Zionville	6	0	9	260	258	518	2	15	Yes	No	No	0	1,560.00
Poplar Grove	R	1872	All		1	2	6	119	72	191	1	3	Yes	No	No	0	1,200.00
Proffitt's Grove	R	1921	2-4	Paul Phipps, Crumpler	3	0	3	137	53	190	2	0	Yes	No	No	0	850.00
Rich Mountain	R	1905	1-3	W. C. Payne, Blowing Rock	1	1	1	50	25	75	2	0	No	No	No	0	328.99
Rutherford	R	1938	1-3	Glenn Huffman, Wilbar	3	6	6		198	198	2	11	No	No	No	0	1,200.00
Shulls Mills	R	1883	2-4		0	0	6		100	100	0	0	No	No	No	0	216.87
South Fork	V	1933	2-3	M. D. Hart, West Jefferson	6	2	5	103	32	135	1	0	Yes	No	No	0	695.00
Stony Fork	R	1841	2	Raymond Hendrix, Boone	3	3	8	131	72	203	2	6	Yes	No	No	0	645.00
Tabernacle	R	1941	2-4	Roby Painter, Banner Elk	6	0	1	51	5	56	2	0	No	No	No	0	191.45
Three Forks	R	1790	All	Homer F. Greene, Deep Gap	4	4	4	111	85	196	1	22	No	No	No	0	1,800.00
Timbered Ridge	R	1906	2-4	Carl Wilson, Reece	2	9	0		128	128	2	0	No	No	No	0	385.12
Union	R	1885	4	Clayton Wydner, Glade Springs, Va.	0	2	9	192	20	212	1	0	No	No	No	0	525.00
Vanderpool	R	1953	2-3-4	N. F. Johnson, Todd	5	2	6	39	12	51	1	0	No	No	No	0	360.00
White Rock	R	1945	1-3	Orville, Wallace, Trade, Tenn.	0	0	4	50	35	85	1	12	Yes	No	Yes	0	480.00
Willowdale	R	1911	All	K. Maurice Cooper, Vilas	2	4	7	90	65	155	2	4	No	No	No	0	1,375.00
Zion Hill	R	1832	2	Hubert McCoy, Tamarack	9	2	5	78	31	109	1	0	Yes	No	No	0	480.00
Zionville	V	1836	2-3	Paul Phipps, Crumpler	1	1	6		184	184	1	0	No	No	No	0	200.00
Boone Mission	C		All	W. R. Eaton, Boone	8	6	5		322	322	1	0	No	No	No	0	658.30
				<b>Totals</b>	254	175	307	4646	2241	17602	67	416	15	4	2	1	46,626.37

**Table B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**CHURCHES** Sunday School Superintendents and Addresses

CHURCHES	Sunday School Superintendents and Addresses	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults	Extension Department	Officers Not Counted Classes And Departments	Mission Sunday School Enrollment	Grand Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible School Enrollment	Average Attendance V.B.S.	January Bible Study	Number Training Schools
Antioch	Howard Gable, Sugar Grove	0	0	10	0	15	15	0	0	47	0	0	0	87	0	0	0	16	0
Beaver Dam	Clay Robinson, Reece	0	0	12	14	20	13	18	0	39	0	0	0	116	100	0	0	16	0
Beech Valley	Claude Presnell, Elk Park, Rt. 1	0	0	8	0	20	20	17	0	35	0	0	0	100	65	50	35	16	0
Bethany	W. P. Ward, Banner Elk, Rt. 2	0	0	7	8	19	14	0	0	30	0	2	0	80	50	88	49	16	0
Bethel	Baker Ward, Sugar Grove	0	13	3	15	19	13	10	0	76	5	0	0	154	90	56	46	Yes	2
Blowing Rock	E. A. Banner, Blowing Rock	0	12	14	18	20	16	15	0	32	12	4	0	143	65	95	70	Yes	1
Boone	G. P. Eggers, Boone, 707 Faculty St.	43	100	36	56	73	55	77	69	171	52	4	0	736	407	183	169	Yes	0
Brushy Fork	Coy Love, Vilas	0	8	6	10	17	11	16	0	74	0	0	0	142	87	49	46	No	0
Clark's Creek	John Smith, Banner Elk, Rt. 1	0	0	10	7	6	0	14	0	20	0	0	0	57	46	0	0	No	0
Cool Springs	W. W. Austin, Blowing Rock	0	0	10	12	0	18	0	0	30	0	0	0	70	50	0	0	No	0
Cove Creek	Edgar Greene, Sugar Grove	5	7	4	12	30	26	14	0	121	9	0	0	230	120	93	76	Yes	2
Elk Knob	Grady Potter, Tamarack	0	0	0	25	20	20	0	0	25	0	0	0	90	55	0	0	No	0
Forest Grove	Lloyd Roark, Vilas	0	3	4	4	8	6	10	10	22	0	6	0	119	66	0	0	No	0
Friendship	John Michael, Trade, Tenn.	0	0	0	5	13	0	13	0	31	0	0	0	67	50	46	46	No	0
Gap Creek	Robert Hartzog, Deep Gap	0	7	6	12	15	30	16	0	50	0	0	0	136	110	60	50	No	0
Green Valley	Albert Ward, Reece	0	0	8	3	10	12	15	0	25	0	2	0	75	0	0	0	No	0
Howard's Creek	D. W. Cook, Boone, Rt. 2	0	0	8	0	6	8	15	0	14	0	0	0	51	0	0	0	No	0
Laurel Springs	Joe L. Coffey, Jr., Deep Gap	0	0	24	17	18	30	25	0	86	0	11	0	200	103	50	46	No	0
Meat Camp	Warren Greene, Zionville	4	1	16	12	9	22	0	33	27	8	0	0	132	84	66	59	No	0
Mabel	Howard Younce, Vilas	0	5	2	5	5	5	2	2	41	0	0	0	67	55	0	0	No	0
Middle Fork	Bobby Shore, Blowing Rock, Rt. 1	0	0	8	6	0	9	12	21	23	0	0	0	79	67	0	0	No	0
Mountain Dale	Clint Cornett, Reece	0	0	17	6	9	12	17	0	14	0	0	0	90	75	0	0	No	0
Mount Calvary	Homer Shomaker, Banner Elk	0	5	5	7	9	7	6	2	28	0	0	0	63	45	21	19	No	0
Mount Gilead	Edgar Reece, Elk Park, Rt. 1	0	0	3	10	4	3	4	0	25	0	0	0	43	0	0	0	No	0
Mount Lebanon	Clarence Eary, Vilas Rt. 1	0	0	13	12	11	20	18	0	44	0	0	0	114	0	0	0	No	0

**SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT**

Perkinsville	Glenn Cottrell, Boone, Rt. 2	4	9	18	24	29	29	27	0	104	19	6	0	269	154	120	104	Yes	1
Pleasant Grove	Gene Wilson, Zionville	6	13	16	29	33	39	28	34	34	0	0	0	232	171	80	68	Yes	0
Poplar Grove	Earl Blackburn, Boone, Rt. 3	0	0	12	13	20	25	15	10	32	0	1	0	127	100	0	0	No	0
Proffitt's Grove	Lloyd Bryan, Zionville	0	9	23	8	20	25	0	25	38	0	7	0	165	85	0	0	No	0
Rich Mountain	Ronald Ragan, Zionville	0	0	10	0	10	0	10	0	20	0	0	0	50	45	0	0	No	0
Rutherford	R. V. Brown, Jr., Deep Gap	0	0	18	14	18	18	0	35	57	0	0	0	160	96	33	0	No	0
Shulls Mills	C. M. Shore, Boone, Rt. 3	0	5	0	8	0	5	6	0	10	0	0	0	34	0	0	0	No	0
South Fork	Charles Risk, Todd	0	4	8	13	15	15	0	16	28	0	8	0	107	80	0	0	No	0
Stony Fork	Harlen Greene, Deep Gap	0	14	8	16	17	21	18	16	62	0	15	0	182	117	59	52	Yes	0
Tabernacle	Herman Moretz, Boone, Rt. 2	0	0	10	10	0	10	0	0	30	0	0	0	60	45	0	0	No	0
Three Forks	James Austin, Boone	0	0	19	12	23	22	19	20	44	0	2	0	162	114	74	68	Yes	0
Timbered Ridge	Spencer May, Reese	0	0	8	18	0	0	8	0	23	0	0	0	54	0	0	0	No	0
Union	Oley Eggers, Zionville	0	0	10	20	18	25	20	0	70	0	1	0	164	101	0	0	No	0
Vanderpool	Don Thompson, Viles	0	5	8	14	15	11	12	0	15	0	0	0	80	43	0	0	No	0
White Rock	W. C. Smith, Rominger, Rt. 2	0	0	20	10	0	10	15	0	30	0	0	0	85	45	28	24	No	0
Willowdale	Fred Edmisten, Sugar Grove	0	0	18	8	6	12	4	0	62	0	0	0	110	59	61	46	No	0
Willow Valley	Rayner Matheson, Sugar Grove	0	0	11	7	8	0	47	0	53	0	2	0	126	70	0	0	No	0
Zion Hill	Albert Harmon, Zionville	0	0	10	0	0	11	16	10	20	0	0	0	67	47	0	0	No	0
Zionville	Lee Roy Wilson, Zionville	4	5	9	10	7	17	20	0	30	0	7	0	109	82	44	34	No	0
Boone Mission	J. Paul Winkler, Box 267, Boone	0	0	0	27	14	11	0	0	18	0	2	0	72	42	83	73	No	0
	<b>Totals</b>	74	243	481	544	646	711	635	303	2025	160	85	0	5944	3460	1517	1251	9	8







**Table E BROTHERHOOD WORK**

CHURCHES	Presidents of Men's Brotherhoods and Addresses		Chrm. Royal Ambassador Co. and Addresses	Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	Young Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	No. Junior R. A. Chapters	Junior R. A. Enrolment	No. Intermediate R. A. Chapters	Intermediate R. A. Enrolment	Total Brotherhood Enrolment
Blowing Rock							4	1	3	7
Boone	Herman W. Wilcox, Boone		Kenneth Wilcox, 129 Oak St., Boone	60	35	1	19	1		114
Cover Creek	Odes Wilson, Zionville		Edgar Greene, Sugar Grove	16		1	7	1	7	30
Laurel Springs	Glenn Ford, Boone			10						10
Oak Grove	J. W. Morris, Boone		John Ward, Boone	21			1	1	7	29
Perkinsville	Ernest Brown, Boone, Rt. 2		Ralph Hartley, Boone, Rt. 1	23		1	12	1	4	39
Rutherford	Howard Parlier, Deep Gap		Edsel Hodges, Boone, Rt. 1	16						16
Three Forks	Troy Greene, Boone			15						15
Boone Mission			J. C. Boone, Jr., Boone			1	18			18
				<b>Totals</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>278</b>



**Table F CHURCH MUSIC—CHURCH LIBRARY—BUILDING—GOALS**

CHURCHES	CHOIR DIRECTORS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES		CHURCH MUSIC				CHURCH LIBRARY		BUILDING				GOALS	
			Number Choirs	Total Choir Enrollment	Total Music Budget (excluding salaries)	Use Church Musician Magazine	Name of Hymnal Used in Auditorium	Does your church have a library?	Value Pastor's Home	Value of Church Property Including Pastor's Home	Money Spent on New Construction, Property, and Equipment	Total Church Debt at End of Year	Association Mission Goal Coming Year	Cooperative Program, % of Total Budget
Antioch	None		.00	No		No	.00	2,500	1,339.50	.00	.00	.00		
Beaver Dam	Sanford Creed, Reece		.00	No		No	.00	10,000	.00	.00	.00	.00		
Beech Valley	Acie McGuire, Sugar Grove		1	30	15.41	No	Broadman	.00	10,000	.00	.00	.00		
Bethany	M. P. Ward, Banner Elk, Rt. 2				.00	No		.00	15,000	.00	.00	.00		
Bethel	Johnny P. Greene, Sugar Grove				.00	Yes	Broadman	10000.00	35,000	3,472.00	928.66	.00		
Blowing Rock	None		1	20	30.00	Yes	Broadman	12000.00	35,000	.00	.00	121.20		
Boone	Hoyt Safritt, Boone, All E. King		3	80	1800.00	Yes	Baptist	25000.00	225,000	5,113.04	18500.00	4% 1200.00		
Brushy Fork	Mrs. Gladys Bingham, Boone		1	24	.00	No	Broadman	.00	20,000	1,465.54	.00	.00		
Clark's Creek	Robert Greene, Banner Elk, Rt. 1				.00	No		.00	5,000	.00	.00	.00		
Cool Springs	E. E. Carlton, Blowing Rock				.00	No		.00	7,000	.00	.00	.00		
Cove Creek	Mrs. Margaret Griggs, Vilas		3	45	.00	No	Broadman	6000.00	36,000	.00	2000.00	7% 240.00		
Elk Knob	None				.00	No		.00	1,500	.00	.00	.00		
Forest Grove	Mrs. Velma Isacacs, Vilas				.00	No		.00	10,000	2,330.82	.00	.00		
Friendship	C. C. Main, Trade, Tenn.				.00	No		.00	6,000	.00	.00	.00		
Gap Creek	Ralph Fairchild, Deep Gap				.00	No	Broadman	.00	20,000	1,026.24	.00	.00		
Greer Valley	None				.00	No		.00	4,000	95.00	.00	.00		
Howard's Creek	Howard Miller, Boone, Rt. 2				.00	No	Modern	.00	3,500	87.87	.03	.00		
Laurel Springs	Laue Idol, Deep Gap				.00	No	Yes	.00	20,000	1,488.16	.00	.00		
Meat Camp	Crady Wilson, Boone, Rt. 2		1	25	.00	No	Songs of Faith	.00	8,000	454.83	.00	3% .00		
Mabel	L. C. Oliver, Jr., Zionville		1	18	24.00	No		.00	8,700	115.00	.00	.00		
Middle Fork	J. I. Shore, Blowing Rock		1	35	.00	No	Calvary	.00	8,000	.00	.00	.00		
Mountain Dale	None				.00	No		.00	4,000	220.00	.00	.00		
Mount Calvary	Carolyn Howell, Banner Elk				.00	No	American	6000.00	18,000	.00	.00	.00		
Mount Gilead	Lonnie Ward, Elk Park, Rt. 1		1		.00	No		.00	6,000	1,060.62	.00	.00		
Mount Lebanon	S. B. Hayes, Vilas, Rt. 1		1		.00	No		.00	5,500	466.98	.00	.00		

Pleasant Grove	Don H. Perry, Zionville	2	50	.00	No	Broadman	No	14,600.00	34,600	.00	.00	.00
Poplar Grove	Mrs. Clyde Williams, Boone, Rt. 2			.00	No	Broadman	Yes	.00	20,000	.00	.00	.00
Proffit's Grove	L. E. Wilson, Zionville			.00	No		No	.00	4,000	.00	.00	.00
Rich Mountain	Stacy Tester, Zionville			.00	No		No	.00	3,000	.00	.00	.00
Rutherford	None			.00	No		No	.00	11,000	.00	.00	.00
Shulls Mills	None			.00	No		No	.00	8,000	.00	.00	.00
South Fork	None			.00	No		No	.00	20,000	.00	.00	.00
Stony Fork	V. O. Green, Deep Gap			.00	No	Modern	No	.00	12,000	150.00	.00	10%
Tabernacle	None			.00	No		No	.00	5,000	.00	.00	.00
Three Forks	Gloria Jean Hampton, Boone			.00	No	Broadman	No	.00	40,000	876.14	.00	.00
Timbered Ridge	None			.00	No		No	.00	4,500	.00	.00	.00
Union	Ivan Younce, Zionville	2	60	.00	No		No	.00	6,000	.00	.00	.00
Vanderpool	None			.00	No		No	.00	2,500	.00	.00	.00
White Rock	W. H. Smith, Banner Elk	1	20	.00	No	Church Hymnal	No	.00	5,000	.00	.00	.00
Willowdale	None			.00	No		No	12,000.00	20,000	.00	.00	.00
Willow Valley	Spencer Coble, Sugar Grove	1		.00	No		Yes	.00	20,000	1,596.00	54.00	.00
Zion Hill	Robert Haganan, Beech Creek			.00	No		No	.00	15,000	.00	.00	.00
Zionville	Vernon Castle, Zionville			.00	No		No	.00	20,000	.00	.00	.00
Boone Mission	J. C. Boone, Boone	1	15	.00	Yes	Baptist						
<b>Totals</b>		<b>26</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>1869.41</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>103500.00</b>	<b>860,300</b>	<b>24,161.44</b>	<b>28079.35</b>	<b>2351.20</b>

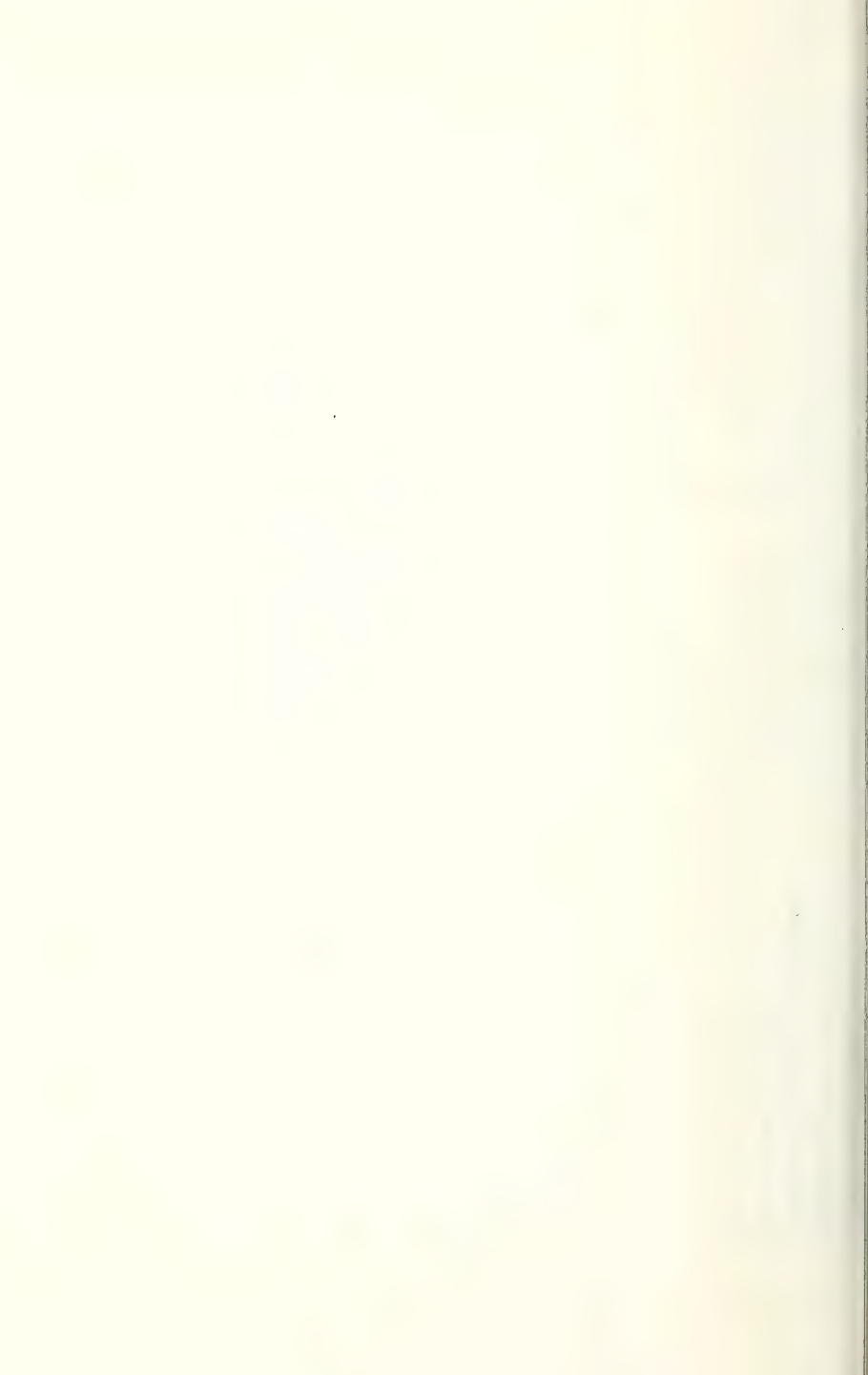
Table G and H TOTAL GIFTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES		TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES											Grand Total Local Expense	
		Churches	Treasurers and Addresses	Total Gifts for All Purposes	Total Salaries (Do Not Include Pastor's Salary Here)	Maintenance, Insurance, Repair, etc.	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses		Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)
Antioch	M. L. Shepherd, Sugar Grove	3442.50	48.24	.00	1339.50	78.83	168.50	145.10	.00	.00	108.95	2,089.22	603.50	2692.72
Beaver Dam	Ray Swift, Reece	1439.37	.00	157.17	.00	91.57	.00	215.00	.00	.00	77.78	541.52	704.46	1245.98
Beech Valley	Sam L. Ward, Beech Creek	990.20	120.00	99.47	.00	74.49	127.67	133.84	.00	.00	.00	555.47	360.00	915.47
Bethany	Marshall Farthing, Rominger	1007.43	24.00	66.06	173.60	45.06	50.00	114.94	.00	.00	130.82	604.38	363.05	967.43
Bethel	David Farthing, Sugar Grove	5436.75	180.00	190.00	3472.00	231.00	.00	66.00	271.00	264.00	264.00	4,674.00	1750.00	6424.00
Blowing Rock	Mrs. J. D. Jones, Blowing Rock	8120.69	170.00	454.59	75.00	213.62	138.85	275.00	1445.25	1205.94	1205.94	3,978.25	2999.00	6977.25
Boone	James P. Marsh, Boone	48314.75	7300.88	2535.30	5113.04	4877.36	2339.83	250.00	5000.00	3277.27	30,693.68	6141.67	36835.35	
Brushy Fork	Charlie Moody, Vilas	4773.72	210.00	219.80	1465.54	282.30	92.45	155.00	.00	133.27	2,558.36	600.00	3158.36	
Clark's Creek	John Smith, Banner Elk, Rt. 1	493.32	.00	28.41	.00	51.28	.00	50.00	.00	35.50	165.19	300.00	300.00	465.19
Cool Springs	Ronda Hartley, Blowing Rock	1027.04	126.00	209.10	.00	40.00	50.00	50.00	.00	.00	475.10	340.61	815.71	
Cove Creek	Jerry Adams, Vilas	9223.51	480.00	831.38	.00	513.67	37.50	66.32	212.42	681.17	4,606.50	2840.00	7598.46	
Elk Knob	Mrs. Mary Grace South, Tamarack	445.63	.00	.00	125.00	35.35	.00	40.00	.00	61.14	261.51	175.00	436.51	
Forest Grove		3523.16	68.25	.00	2330.82	85.69	123.00	204.41	.00	264.60	3,076.83	363.32	3440.15	
Friendship	Mrs. Roby Main, Trade, Tenn.	730.74	60.00	35.04	.00	58.97	4.00	32.00	.00	37.87	227.88	350.06	577.94	
Gap Creek	Mrs. G. O. Triplett, Deep Gap	2336.87	60.00	599.98	1026.24	172.73	90.00	200.00	.00	184.28	2,233.23	600.00	2783.23	
Green Valley	Warren Ward, Sugar Grove	807.52	48.00	94.75	.00	14.00	26.85	127.45	.00	.00	360.75	440.75	801.52	
Howard's Creek	J.T.C. Wright, Boone, Rt. 2	1007.48	.00	35.00	87.77	64.01	.00	165.96	.00	122.01	474.75	398.25	873.00	
Laurel Springs	Orvil Hampton, Boone	4395.51	310.00	1488.16	.00	246.48	.00	104.21	.00	494.44	2,643.29	1441.00	4084.29	
Meat Camp	Ronda Carroll, Boone, Rt. 2	2935.36	180.00	158.08	128.11	74.55	58.50	263.26	.00	326.72	1,189.22	1020.50	2209.72	
Mabel	Mrs. Bian Morris, Zionville	1662.35	84.00	.00	115.00	87.50	139.41	82.00	.00	89.76	557.67	900.00	1457.67	
Middle Fork	Lee Triplett, Boone, Rt. 1	1414.28	145.00	378.19	.00	110.17	58.60	30.87	.00	30.00	752.83	388.00	1141.02	
Mountain Dale	Collis Greene, Reese	879.00	48.00	22.00	220.00	30.00	75.00	87.00	.00	15.00	497.00	333.00	830.00	
Mount Calvary	J.M. Shomaker, Banner Elk	2860.05	.00	355.60	.00	112.34	104.00	125.00	.00	.00	696.94	1800.00	2496.94	
Mount Gilend	Luther Brenton, Elk Park, Rt. 1	1384.96	16.69	.00	1060.62	5.60	.00	33.88	.00	85.00	1,185.10	190.40	1375.50	
Mount Lebanon	Irey Moore, Vilas, Rt. 1	1637.28	96.00	26.58	466.98	129.92	199.00	.00	.00	118.80	1,037.28	600.00	1637.28	



Pleasant Grove	Everette Culler, Zionville	4161.73	110.00	264.30	.00	205.50	230.70	216.00	.00	8.00	1034.50	1560.00	2594.50
Poplar Grove	George Main, Boone, Rt. 1	3095.57	96.00	138.00	.00	143.00	160.55	180.00	.00	15.11	732.66	1200.00	1932.66
Preffitt's Grove	Arlie Bryan, Zionville	1504.41	60.00	64.72	.00	72.84	7.50	223.08	.00	41.35	469.49	850.00	1319.49
Rich Mountain	Louis Cornell, Zionville	505.99	.00	.00	.00	25.00	100.00	40.00	.00	.00	165.00	328.99	493.99
Rutherford	Howard Parlier, Deep Gap	3177.89	300.00	94.03	.00	231.08	191.83	275.00	.00	67.55	1159.49	1200.00	2359.49
Shulls Mills	Mrs. Mamie Harbin, Boone, Rt. 3	2355.80	.00	.00	.00	1941.11	30.51	35.00	.00	.00	2080.60	216.87	2297.47
South Fork	W. G. Cook, Todd	2989.65	140.00	.00	.00	75.14	178.76	112.00	.00	164.50	670.40	695.00	1365.40
Stony Fork	Glenn Wellborn, Deep Gap	1908.00	238.00	225.00	.00	135.00	.00	218.00	.00	.00	816.00	645.00	1461.00
Tabernacle	Coy Norris, Boone, Rt. 1	578.74	24.00	26.00	.00	25.39	17.50	.00	.00	17.70	110.59	191.45	302.04
Three Forks	Frank Shore, Boone	5237.14	565.00	498.88	876.14	298.36	212.79	72.00	.00	243.09	2766.26	1800.00	4566.26
Timbered Ridge	Lloyd Dishernan, Reece	923.72	48.00	178.25	.00	34.64	79.52	38.37	.00	64.00	402.78	385.12	787.80
Union	Stanley Norris, Zionville	1147.72	33.44	297.24	78.94	97.78	.00	55.16	.00	.00	562.56	525.16	1087.72
Vanderpool	Jay Isaacs, Vilas	571.74	.00	.00	18.00	93.53	.00	22.00	.00	33.11	166.64	360.00	526.64
White Rock	Mrs. H. H. Shoak, Rominger, Rt. 2	1042.28	.00	.00	.00	85.25	.00	122.13	.00	136.32	343.70	430.00	773.70
Willowdale	Miss Corrine Greer, Vilas	3270.70	135.00	.00	.00	114.04	5.00	111.22	.00	124.09	489.35	1375.00	1864.35
Willow Valley	Mrs. Vonnie Greene, Sugar Grove	2816.82	120.00	.00	1596.00	129.71	54.73	133.00	.00	149.36	2182.80	532.00	2714.80
Zion Hill	Arnold Presnell, Beech Creek	1029.64	.00	100.00	.00	39.95	35.59	80.00	82.22	371.21	708.99	200.00	908.99
Zionville	Fred Castle, Zionville	3493.65	240.00	168.05	1778.90	89.25	33.50	89.95	15.16	33.21	2399.65	658.30	3091.15
	<b>Totals</b>	171808.92	12544.50	10556.35	26293.01	10640.57	6345.93	5315.15	12242.05	10561.49	94435.79	45660.45	110231.32



Pleasant Grove Mrs. Ruby Perry, Zionville	87.00	14.50	.00	3.25	13.00	.00	183.70	50.00	81.50	432.95	3027.45
Poplar Grove Mrs. Edna Holloway, Boone Rt. 3	46.00	120.00	13.07	5.00	12.00	.00	153.82	31.25	4.00	422.60	2355.68
Proffitt's Grove Kermit Proffitt, Zionville	112.50	36.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	148.50	1467.99
Rich Mountain Luther C. Moretz, Zionville	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	12.00	.00	.00	12.00	505.99
Rutherford Archie J. Carroll, Boone, Rt. 1	9.61	88.00	34.80	5.00	124.03	63.09	437.08	38.47	18.32	818.40	3177.89
Shulls Mills Fred Hatley, Boone, Rt. 3	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	50.00	8.33	.00	58.33	2355.80
South Fork Leslie E. Norris, Todd, Rt. 1	80.00	75.60	.00	.00	.00	.00	74.00	50.00	20.00	299.60	1665.00
Stony Fork Joe J. Wellborn, Deep Gap	145.00	50.00	75.00	.00	.00	.00	145.00	32.00	.00	447.00	1908.00
Tabernacle Fred N. Brown, Boone, Rt. 1	.00	.00	6.60	.00	6.30	.00	15.65	12.33	5.12	46.00	348.04
Three Forks Ruby S. Michael, Boone	13.20	.00	42.85	46.70	40.00	.00	255.85	49.78	34.21	482.59	5084.85
Timbered Ridge Max Trivette, Reese	.00	.00	.00	.00	23.57	.00	.00	11.35	.00	34.92	822.72
Union Otto Thomas, Zionville	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	60.00	.00	.00	60.00	1147.72
Vanderpool Dexter Eggers, Vilas	36.00	.00	3.10	.00	.00	.00	6.00	.00	.00	45.10	571.74
White Rock Linda Shook, Rominger, Rt. 2	.00	.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	.00	50.00	.00	76.00	186.00	959.70
Willowdale Mrs. Gladys Mast, Vilas	53.33	.00	.00	.00	5.00	.00	122.07	11.15	.00	191.55	2055.97
Will. W Valley Mrs. Belya Cable, Sugar Grove	50.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	49.00	26.00	8.15	133.15	2847.95
Zion Hill Ronald Ward, Beech Creek, Rt. 3	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	97.04	23.61	.00	120.65	1029.64
Zionville Joe Wilson, Zionville	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	340.14	47.36	15.00	402.50	2055.90
<b>Totals</b>	10113.99	8121.56	1137.00	967.10	2160.88	8937.89	4241.93	344.06	1601.36	25720.13	164514.1



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## HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE

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Place of meeting of each Session with names of Moderators, Clerks and Preachers

Year	Church	Moderator	Clerk	Preacher
1841	Three Forks of S. F.	Isaiah Wilcoxon	Richard Gentry	
1842	Beaver Creek	Isaiah Wilcoxon	Richard Gentry	Brazilla McBride
1843	Roans Creek	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Richard Gentry
1844	South Fork	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Brazilla McBride
1845	Three Forks of N. F.	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	R. P. Farthing
1846	Bear Creek	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Richard Gentry
1847	Fbenezer	Brazilla McBride	John Cook	Joseph Harrison
1848	Three Forks of S. F.	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Brazilla McBride
1849	North Fork	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Richard Gentry
1850	Gap Creek	Brazilla McBride	Richard Gentry	Brazilla McBride
1851	Pine Grove	Brazilla McBride	John Cook	Joseph Harrison
1852	Cove Creek	Brazilla McBride	John Cook	Larkin Hodges
1853	Horse Creek	Brazilla McBride	John Cook	J. A. Farthing
1854	Old Fields	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	Jessie Farmer
1855	Roans Creek	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	A. C. Farthing
1856	Antioch	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	Larkin Hodges
1857	Meat Camp	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	J. A. Farthing
1858	South Fork	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	John Cook
1859	Three Forks of N. F.	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	Joseph Harrison
1860	Bethel	J. A. Farthing	John Cook	Wm. Wilcoxon
1861	Three Forks of S. F.	J. A. Farthing	Rufus Moore	D. C. Harmon
1862	Gap Creek	J. A. Farthing	Rufus Moore	A. C. Farthing
1863	Ebenezer	J. A. Farthing	Rufus Moore	J. A. Farthing
1864	Cove Creek	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	R. P. Farthing
1865	Mulberry	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	S. J. Farthing
1866	Meat Camp	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	A. C. Farthing
1867	Brushy Fork	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	D. C. Harmon
1868	Globe	J. A. Farthing	Hiram McBride	L. L. Maples
1869	Bethel	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	Jobe Moore
1870	Three Forks	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	D. C. Harmon
1871	Yadkin	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	R. P. Farthing
1872	Antioch	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	A. C. Farthing
1873	Meat Camp	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	T. F. Nelson
1874	Mulberry	J. A. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	A. C. Farthing
1875	Mount Zion	D. C. Harmon	L. L. Greene	D. C. Harmon
1876	Mount Pleasant	D. C. Harmon	L. L. Greene	J. M. Hall
1877	Globe	D. C. Harmon	L. L. Greene	J. A. Farthing
1878	Cove Creek	A. C. Farthing	Hiram McBride	W. D. Brown
1879	South Fork	A. C. Farthing	Hiram McBride	Asa Brown
1880	Pisgah	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	D. C. Harmon
1881	Brushy Fork	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	E. F. Jones
1882	Flat Top	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	D. C. Harmon
1883	Mulberry	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	A. C. Farthing
1884	Bethel	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	E. F. Jones
1885	Three Forks	A. C. Farthing	D. C. Harmon	J. J. L. Sherwood
1886	Laurel Springs	A. C. Farthing	J. J. T. Reese	I. W. Thomas
1887	Beaver Dam	A. C. Farthing	J. J. T. Reese	J. M. Harmon
1888	Boone	A. C. Farthing	J. J. T. Reese	J. H. Farthing
1889	Mount Zion	A. C. Farthing	Jacob Younce	David Greene
1890	Three Forks	A. C. Farthing	Jacob Younce	Dr. C. E. Taylor
1891	Mount Gilead	A. C. Farthing	Jacob Younce	J. J. L. Sherwood
1892	Meat Camp	W. S. Farthing	Jacob Younce	J. F. Davis
1893	Antioch	W. S. Farthing	Jacob Younce	J. H. Farthing
1894	Gap Creek	J. F. Spainhour	Jacob Younce	Dr. C. Durham
1895	Cove Creek	W. S. Farthing	Jacob Younce	L. A. Wilson
1896	South Fork	W. S. Farthing	Jacob Younce	J. E. White
1897	Brushy Fork	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	J. H. Farthing
1898	Cool Springs	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	David Greene
1899	Beech Mountain	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	L. C. Wilson
1900	Laurel Springs	J. A. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	L. C. Wilson
1901	Bethel	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	J. M. Payne
1902	Flat Top	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	D. C. Harmon
1903	Zion Hill	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	Solomon Younce
1904	Elk Valley	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	J. F. Miller
1905	Pleasant Grove	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	C. S. Farthing
1906	Shulls Mills	W. S. Farthing	Smith Hagaman	David Greene
				C. S. Farthing



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1907	Boone	-----	W. S. Farthing	----	Smith Hagaman	----	C. S. Farthing
1908	Forest Grove	-----	W. S. Farthing	----	Smith Hagaman	----	J. M. Payne
1909	Howards Creek	-----	W. S. Farthing	----	Smith Hagaman	----	D. A. Greene
1910	Beaver Dam	-----	W. S. Farthing	----	Smith Hagaman	----	J. M. Payne
1911	Mount Calvary	-----	W. S. Farthing	----	Smith Hagaman	----	G. W. Trivett
1912	South Fork	-----	J. J. L. Sherwood	----	Smith Hagaman	----	J. J. L. Sherwood
1913	Cove Creek	-----	J. J. L. Sherwood	----	Smith Hagaman	----	J. F. Eller
1914	Meat Camp	-----	J. J. L. Sherwood	----	Smith Hagaman	----	J. M. Payne
1915	Zionville	-----	J. J. L. Sherwood	----	W. Y. Perry	-----	L. A. Wilson
1916	Stony Fork	-----	J. J. L. Sherwood	----	W. Y. Perry	-----	J. F. Eller
1917	Antioch	-----	J. J. L. Sherwood	----	W. Y. Perry	-----	L. C. Wilson
1918	Bethel	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	-----	Wellington Swift
1919	Union	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	-----	R. C. Eggers
1920	Gap Creek	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	-----	R. C. Eggers
1921	Brushy Fork	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	-----	F. M. Huggins
1922	Timbered Ridge	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	-----	L. C. Wilson
1923	Laurel Springs	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	-----	R. C. Eggers
1924	Pleasant Grove	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	-----	Roy Dotson
1925	Three Forks	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	-----	F. M. Huggins
1926	South Fork	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	-----	E. J. Farthing
1927	Zion Hill	-----	Smith Hagaman	----	W. Y. Perry	-----	Braxton Craig
1928	Middle Fork	-----	I. G. Greer	-----	W. Y. Perry	-----	L. A. Hurst
1929	Shulls Mills	-----	I. G. Greer	-----	W. Y. Perry	-----	P. A. Hicks
1930	Mount Lebanon	-----	I. G. Greer	-----	W. Y. Perry	-----	A. J. Greene
1931	Meat Camp	-----	I. G. Greer	-----	W. Y. Perry	-----	Roy Dotson
1932	Bethany	-----	I. G. Greer	-----	W. Y. Perry	-----	J. A. McKaughan
1933	South Fork	-----	W. D. Farthing	----	W. Y. Perry	-----	W. D. Ashley
1934	Beaver Dam	-----	W. D. Farthing	----	Dean Swift	-----	A. J. Greene
1935	Brushy Fork	-----	W. D. Farthing	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	W. R. Davis
1936	Zionville	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	J. C. Canipe
1937	Howards Creek	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	W. C. Payne
1938	Oak Grove	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Philip Fletcher
1939	Cove Creek	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	D. M. Edmisten
1940	Three Forks	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	G. A. Hamby
1941	Pleasant Grove	-----	S. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	J. C. Canipe
1942	Mount Calvary	-----	S. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	H. K. Middleton
1943	Clark's Creek	-----	S. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Vilas Mintor
1944	Bethel	-----	S. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	
1945	Boone	-----	J. C. Canipe	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Ben Lee Ray
1946	Rutherford	-----	H. K. Middleton	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Lawrence Hagaman
1947	Willowdale	-----	H. K. Middleton	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	W. D. Ashley
1948	Laurel Springs	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Oscar J. Harris
1949	Zionville	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Ronda Earp
1949	Forest Grove	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	
1950	Perkinsville	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Raymond Hendrix
1950	Three Forks	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	
1951	Beech Valley	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	A. C. Moody
1951	Poplar Grove	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	
1952	Mabel	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Harold Songer
1952	Union	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	
1953	South Fork	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	Victor Trivette
1953	Greene Valley	-----	R. C. Eggers	----	Clyde R. Greene	----	
1954	Oak Grove	-----	L. H. Hollingsworth	----	Mrs. Blanche Perry	----	E. O. Gore
1954	Boone	-----	L. H. Hollingsworth	----	Mrs. Blanche Perry	----	
1955	Bethany and						
	Mount Calvary	-----	L. H. Hollingsworth	----	Mrs. Blanche Perry	----	C. O. Vance
1956	Pleasant Grove	-----	L. H. Hollingsworth	----	Mrs. Blanche Perry	----	R. C. Eggers
1956	Bethel	-----	L. H. Hollingsworth	----	Mrs. Blanche Perry	----	

